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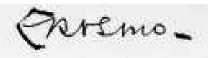
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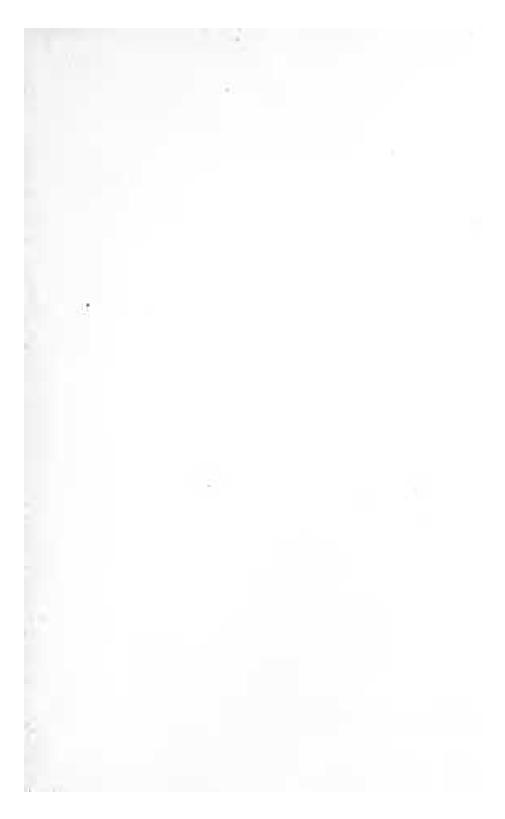
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## INTRODUCTION

DESPITE the many and wide differences so obvious in every community-of age and sex, of regional origins and historic groupings, of occupations and interests, of experience and intelligence, efficiency and originality, of education, manners and morals, of wealth and rank, and so on-each generation has more in common than its individuals may realize. Lavman and eleric, pressman and prime minister, message-boy and millionaire respond not merely to their respective callbells, nor in common to the peal of general rejoicing, to the tolling of sorrow; but through their minds there vibrates also a certain unison, a response, though it may be more or less unconscious, to the key-notes of their age. this unison underlies the apparent differences is easily seen on differing intellectual levels. The boy in the train buys Tit-Bits, but the man in the villa takes in the new Britannica: the specialist concentrates upon the "Proceedings" of his learned society, while the university principal reviews his "Calendar" of all the studies: so far they seem widely apart. But, after all, their differences are only of degree and not of kind: