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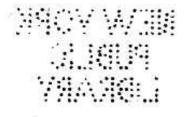
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THE following lecture, which was delivered in New York under the auspices of the Vedânta Society, describes briefly one of the most remarkable men that India has given to the nineteenth century. He was known as PARAMHAMSA SRIMAT RAMAKRISHNA, and is regarded by thousands of his fellow-countrymen as a Divine Incarnation, although he would not claim for himself any high position. The influence of his teachings is making itself felt in all parts of India, and has even extended to Europe and America.

The frontispiece represents the temple near which he passed the last years of his life. He lived in a small house in the extensive gardens surrounding the temple, and great crowds of people came to listen to his words. Since

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his death a yearly festival has been held on the anniversary of his birth, and is each year attended by increasing numbers. The title *Paramhamsa* means, literally, "Great Soul," and is given by the Hindus to such men only as have attained to the highest spiritual illumination. *Srimat* is a title of respect, and is used here in the sense of "most revered."

THE EDITOR.

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