Preface

THIS small volume is in form controversial, but in substance it has a more ambitious aim: it is intended to formulate, or perhaps rather to reformulate, a certain doctrine concerning the nature of man and the interaction between mind and matter. Incidentally it attempts to confute two errors which are rather prevalent :---

I. The notion that because material energy is constant in quantity, therefore its transformations and transferences — which admittedly constitute terrestrial activity — are not susceptible of guidance or directive control.