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PREFACE

It is the purpose of these lectures delivered under the auspices of the American Committee for Lectures on the History of Religions, to sum up the results of researches carried on by me for many years in the field of ancient astrology and astronomy. For some facts set forth here in a summary fashion I can refer the reader interested in the details to a number of special articles published in various periodicals; the proofs of other assertions will be given in a larger work that I hope to publish on some future date to publish on this same general theme.

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