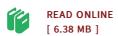




An Examination of the Philosophy of the Unknowable: As Expounded by Herbert Spencer

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Createspace, United States, 2015. Paperback. Book Condition: New. 229 x 152 mm. Language: English . Brand New Book ***** Print on Demand *****. This book is designed to separate Mr. Spencer s doctrine of the Unknowable from his general system of evolution, and to refute the former while leaving the latter to stand as a law of things and not only a law of appearances. Its author sums up his conclusions in about the following terms (p. 211 f.): Every argument that is used, or that can be used, in proof of the existence of the objective Unknowable is based on the very knowledge which the argument purports to prove impossible (Chap. II.). A number of problems which Mr. Spencer supposes peculiar to Ontology and considers insoluble, the author finds to be capable of solution by Phenomenology (Chaps. III.-VI.). Actual nature does not exclude realities from its sphere (Chap. VII.). The unknowableness deduced by Mr. Spencer is the unknowableness of something neither in existence nor capable of existence (Chap. VIII.). Spencer s deduction of the unknowableness of things outside of consciousness from the conception of life, Mr. Lacy considers meaningless and-erroneous (Chap. IX.). Absolute knowledge is possible and can be accounted...



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