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This classic work is here reissued as originally published except for the addition of the essay "Second Thoughts on Greek Biography," which the author considered an integral part of his project. The essay was first published in 1971 in the *Mededelingen* (34.7) of the Koninklijke Nederlandse Akademie van Wetenschappen; it is reprinted here by permission.

Preface

These four lectures are substantially published as they were delivered at Harvard University as the Carl Newell Jackson Classical Lectures in April 1968. Their aim is to provide an elementary but independent introduction to a difficult and important problem: the separation of biography and historiography. To my regret I could not do more within the packed schedule of my current commitments.

I am grateful to the colleagues and friends in the Department of the Classics at Harvard who invited me to deliver these lectures and received them with sympathy and constructive discussion. My debt to the generous hospitality and intellectual stimulus of Harvard has been enormously increased.

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