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TO
THE CAUSE OF HOME MISSIONS
AND
MY FELLOW-WORKERS
WHO ARE LABORING FOR THE MORAL AND
SPIRITUAL UPLIFT OF THE RISING
EMPIRES OF THE WEST, AND THE
CHRISTIANIZATION OF AMER-
ICAN CIVILIZATION.

PREFACE

WHILE giving a series of addresses in Eastern cities on home missionary work in the West, I was agreeably surprised at the interest manifested in my story of western conditions, especially that part of the West adjacent to or near the Rocky Mountain districts, and more particularly Montana, the state I represented.

At the conclusion of these addresses a great many people came forward with inquiries for printed matter covering the general scope of my discourses.

I then became conscious of the sparsity of literature concerning missionary work in the West, as seen from the standpoint of the missionary on the field.

Books of historical character have been published, but these contain little information as to the spiritual conquest going on in these rising empires along the Rockies.

The idea came forcibly to my mind that there was need for a book giving to the public, from a personal and experimental viewpoint the information, suggestions and experience here related, fresh from the field of Christian activity.

These chapters have been written under the pressure of strenuous duties, which necessarily interrupted regular hours of study. Some were written in railroad stations, while waiting for delayed trains (one great source of annoyance in mountain travel), and in hotels where quiet was out of the question and concentration of mind difficult.

It is with the hope of supplying something in the way of information and suggestion, that will kindle additional interest in the spiritual conquest of these Western States, destined to be potential factors in the future history of our nation, that these chapters on a variety of subjects are given to the public, believing whatever merit they may possess is based on the fact that they come first hand from experience and from a heart sincerely interested in planting the standard of the Gospel in all our land.

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Helena, Montana.

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