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PREFACE

These stories are taken from the different struggles in which the United States has been engaged, and all of them are authentic. Many have not been recorded in our histories, but every one is founded upon an event that actually occurred. The writer has presented them in the hope that they will increase the interest in the perpetual struggle for life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness which our fathers won. Surely the present, of all the times in our history, is the one in which there is the greatest necessity of stimulating a strong and intelligent love for our country. One flag, one country, one language, one purpose—all these ought to be the component parts in the construction of every true American, whether or not he is born within our borders. The spirit of the fighter is not always displayed on the battle field. There are contests which every one must face. Life is a perpetual overcoming. Every man becomes either a victor or a victim. To strengthen the purpose to win the best that life can give lies behind every worthy conflict. The writer takes this occasion to express his thanks to the various papers and magazines in which some of these stories have appeared. Particu-

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larly to the Magazine of the Daughters of the American Revolution he desires to acknowledge the courtesy which permits the inclusion of several of his stories in this collection.

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