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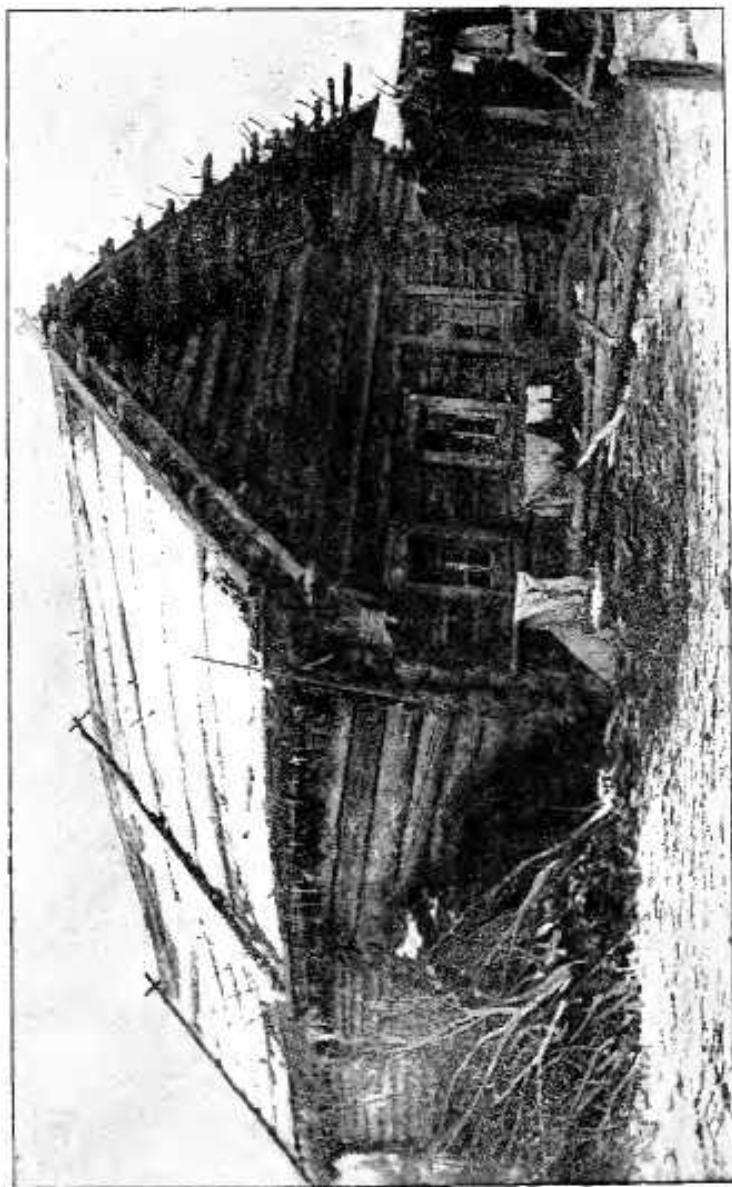
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P R E F A C E.

THIS little book professes to be nothing more than a reprint of a series of letters on the Russian Famine, which appeared in the London and Provincial press during last winter as *Reuter's Special Service*.

I was told that they had attracted some attention, and that their republication as a book might be acceptable.

By the kind permission of Reuter's Telegram Company, and partly at their suggestion, I am now able to present these letters to the public in the form of a separate work. They were written under many disadvantages, and may leave much to be desired from the point of view of literary workmanship. One merit,

however, they have; they give a truthful and unbiassed account of what I saw.

I cannot refrain from seizing this opportunity for publicly expressing my gratitude to those Russian and English friends, to whom I am so deeply indebted for advice and assistance during my journey.

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