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THE GENTLEST, THE BRAVEST, AND THE KINDEST OF MEN, THIS

LITTLE BOOK

IS AFFECTIONATELY DEDICATED BY HIS GRATEFUL PUPIL.

PREFACE

THIS does not set forth to be that detestable thing, a "book with a purpose"; but if it should incidentally draw attention to the terrible conditions of life of the slave girls in Chinatown, and if any amelioration of those conditions should ensue, I shall feel that I have not written in vain. The kidnapping of Moy Yen, as told in the chapters entitled "The Shadow of Quong Lung," can be matched by many cases that have actually occurred in Chinatown.

Of course, the best thing to do with Chinatown would be to burn it down; but the scheme is too Utopian to be discussed in a mere preface.

By the courtesy of the San Francisco Examiner, I have been enabled to incorporate the last three chapters of "The Wings of

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Lee Toy" with Part IV. The said chapters constituted a short story that appeared in the Examiner December 19, 1897, and was awarded the prize that had been offered by that paper for a short Christmas story.

"The Seats of Judgment" won the prize offered by the Argonaut for a short story in 1898; and it is by the kindness of that best of weekly journals that I am enabled to reproduce the story in this volume.

C. W. DOYLE.

Santa Cruz, California, October, 1899.

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