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TO
MARCELLUS HARTLEY DODGE
THE OBJECT
TO THE GRANDFATHER WHOSE NAME HE BEARS
OF A LOVE MORE THAN PATERNAL

PREFACE

SEVERAL friends of the late Marcellus Hartley, who for the past five and twenty years have been in close business and personal relations with him, believing that a life so useful and patriotic as his should not be allowed to lapse into obscurity, have desired that some memorial of him should be published.

The difficulty of giving interest and color to such a sketch is evident. The life of Mr. Hartley was mainly passed in mercantile pursuits; aside from his files of business letters, he kept no journal and preserved no account of one of the most interesting periods of his career—that which he spent in procuring arms and equipment for the troops called into service during the opening months of the Civil War. Then, too, few men were more reticent; rarely could he be induced to talk on this matter, or, indeed, on any other of a business nature. He seemed to think that the silence imposed upon him when acting in the service of the government was still to be observed long after the occasion had passed. It was only after the day's work, at his country