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TO THE BELOVED MEMORY OF
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THESE TALES ARE GRATEFULLY AND LOVINGLY
DEDICATED BY HER GRANDDAUGHTER
THE AUTHOR

The Lilacs, January, 1896

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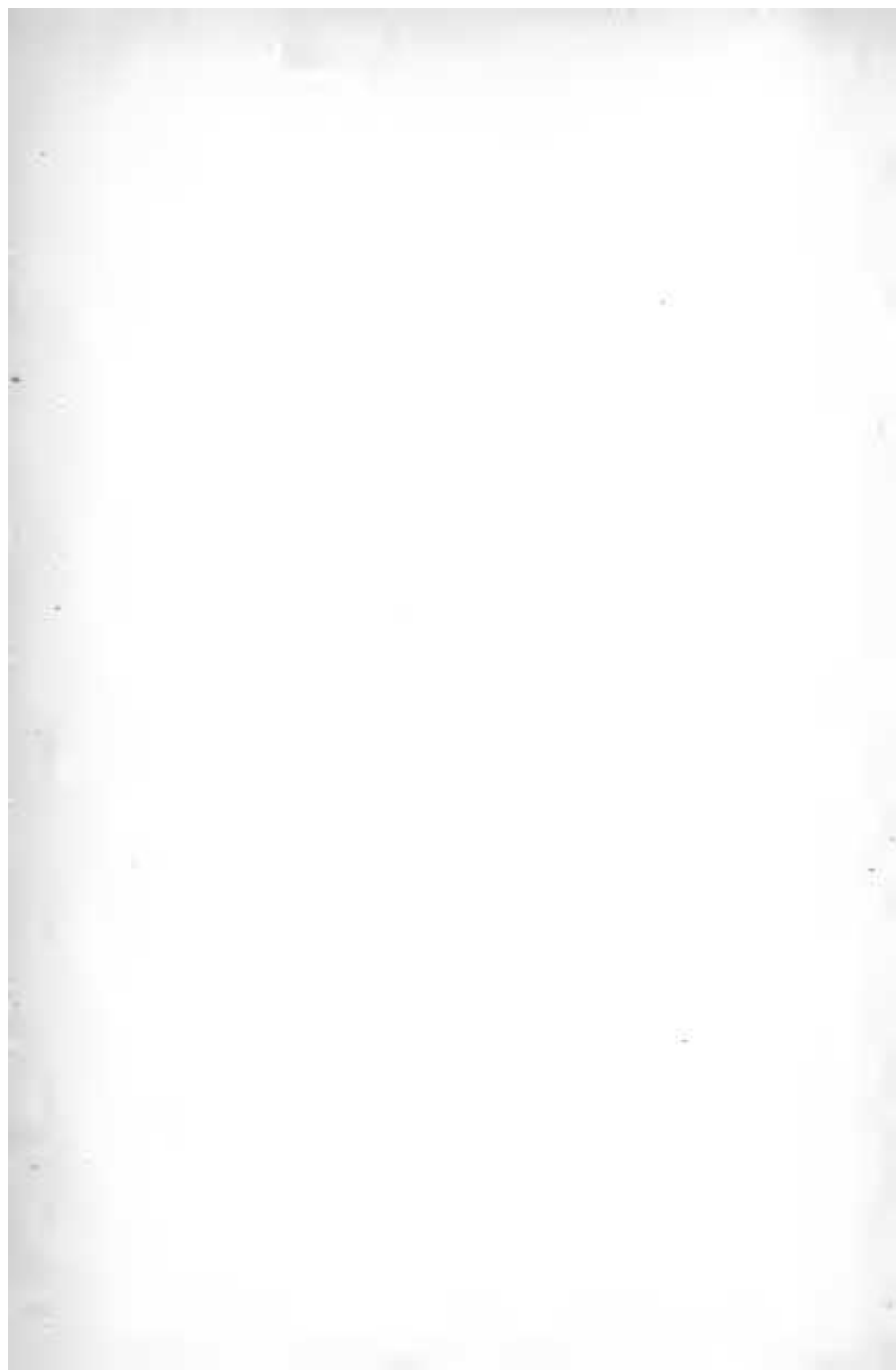
PREFACE.

In the hope of interesting the reader in that insistent altruistic question of the hour — How may we best treat our *convicted* fellow sinners? — these simple tales (the outcome of intimate personal observation “behind the bars,” and woven, almost equally, of fact and fiction) are offered for his kindly-indulgent perusal.

Most sincerely,

S. W. B.

West Medford, Jan. 31, 1896.



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