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PREFATORY NOTE

THIS book is mainly the outcome of a course of instruction given in the Department of Government at Harvard University during the academic year 1911-12. It is now printed with some additions, explanations and alternative suggestions as the first volume in a series of publications dealing with the general subject of municipal government.

The attention of the reader is particularly directed to the fact that the author's object has been to prepare a practical handbook of municipal legislation with special emphasis on *administrative* provisions, and that he regards the *political* mechanism of the city government as of relatively minor consequence.

The author would also call attention to the fact that both the administrative and the political features of the charters submitted in this book are, with few exceptions, based upon his own experience, official or professional, during the past thirty years.

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