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TO

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WHO, THROUGH LONG YEARS,

BY THEIR SYMPATHY, PRAYERS, AND CONTRIBUTIONS,

SUSTAINED AND CHEERED MY BELOVED

PARENTS IN THEIR WORK FOR

GOD AND THE KARENS,

**I Gratefully Dedicate these Memorials.**





## PREFACE.

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THE following memoirs have been prepared at the earnest and repeated request of many who felt that the simple record of such devoted lives would be for the glory of God and the good of his Church. They are sent forth with the hope that they may inspire others to show a devotion and earnestness similar to those so markedly displayed in the consecrated lives of Justus H. and Calista Vinton.

The verses at the head of each chapter are selected from "Hymns of Faith and Hope" by Horatius Bonar, a little book which, during the last years of my mother's life, comforted and cheered her in many dark hours. Her own copy, purchased in George Müller's orphan-houses in Bristol, Eng., lies before me as I write. Its worn binding shows the evidences of the long voyage to India and the many jungle-journeys, during which it never left its owner's side.

Marked in many pages, it seems to speak to us, with her own gentle voice, words of heavenly cheer.

I take this opportunity to thank those friends who have so kindly furnished me with letters and reminiscences of my beloved parents, from which many of the facts in the memoirs, especially with reference to the life of my parents in America, have been drawn.

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CALISTA VINTON LUTHER.

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