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PREFACE

THE aim of this little book is to deal with city evangelization from the point of view of a great example. The twofold object in these pages is: to present what we regard as the most suggestive and encouraging example of city evangelization in the world; and then to indicate briefly the lines of development which, we believe, the American Church should follow in view of that example. The first two chapters are historical and sketch the rise of the Forward Movement in general. In the third, fourth, fifth and sixth chapters, our study is confined to four typical missions in London, which fairly represent all the great missions of this wonderful movement. The last chapter is devoted to a discussion of the lessons which the American Church can learn most profitably from the Wesleyan work in England.

This volume does not attempt an exhaustive treatment of the open and institutional church movement; it simply undertakes to deal with the subject so as to be most helpful to practical workers in city evangelization.

The first six chapters were written during a stay of several months in London and in other English cities. I am under special obligations to the leaders of the Forward Movement for the

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