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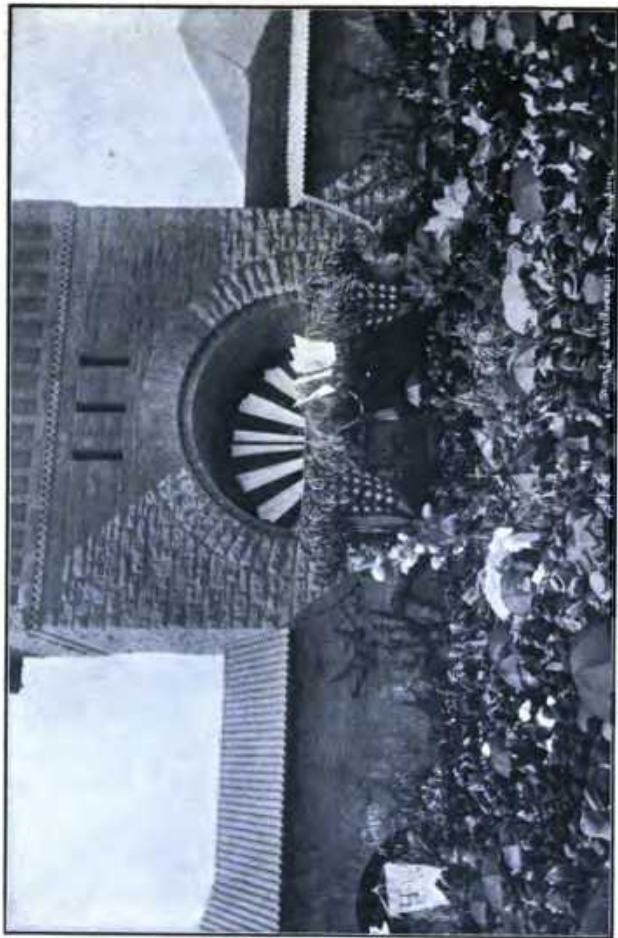
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FOREWORD

THERE was need that these articles should be written and collected into a volume. College generations pass but too quickly, and the rare flavor of those days of Stanford's earliest life can too easily be lost—not, perhaps, to those who shared the experiences, but to the sons and daughters of Stanford's later adoption. And the spirit in which these days were lived may have a wider public interest, some day, when the history of Western university life is searched in quest of its final significance.

Yet the papers we have collected are, from a larger viewpoint, limited in scope and unambitious in treatment; they will in no sense compete with the serious history of Stanford's beginnings that are still to be written. But, perhaps, for this very reason they may fulfil their own purpose the better. And so, with grateful appreciation for the help we have received from many quarters, and especially to those who have contributed the articles themselves, we send out our little volume, dedicated to Stanford men and women who share the spirit of those pioneer days as a common heritage,—as well those of the generations to come, as those whose part in them was immediate and personal.

