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When black the sky and dire with war,
When every heart was wrung with fear,
He rose serene, and took his place,
The great occasion's mighty peer.
He smote armed opposition down,
And bade the storm and darkness cease,
And o'er the long-distracted land
Shone out the smiling sun of peace.

In Memory of General Grant,

—HENRY ABBEY

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PREFACE

THE history of the United States, or of the world at large, does not record a more honorable, chivalrous, and courageous soldier, statesman, and gentleman than U. S. Grant. If the following story of his life serves to inspire in its young readers something of General Grant's high sense of honor, truthfulness, modesty, his thoughtfulness for others, his dislike of all that was coarse, his respect for older people — and not only as a boy, but as General of all the armies of the United States, and during two terms as President — the writer will have achieved the inspiration that came from his own study of the life of this splendid American.

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