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**Dedication.**



*To the Real Chivalry of the South, the old "Aunties" and "Uncles"*

*And*

*Valorous Young Men,*

*Who so Generously and Bravely,*

*At the Risk of Cruel Punishment and Sometimes of Life,*

*Fed and Warmed and Hid and Guided,*

*Escaped Union Prisoners,*

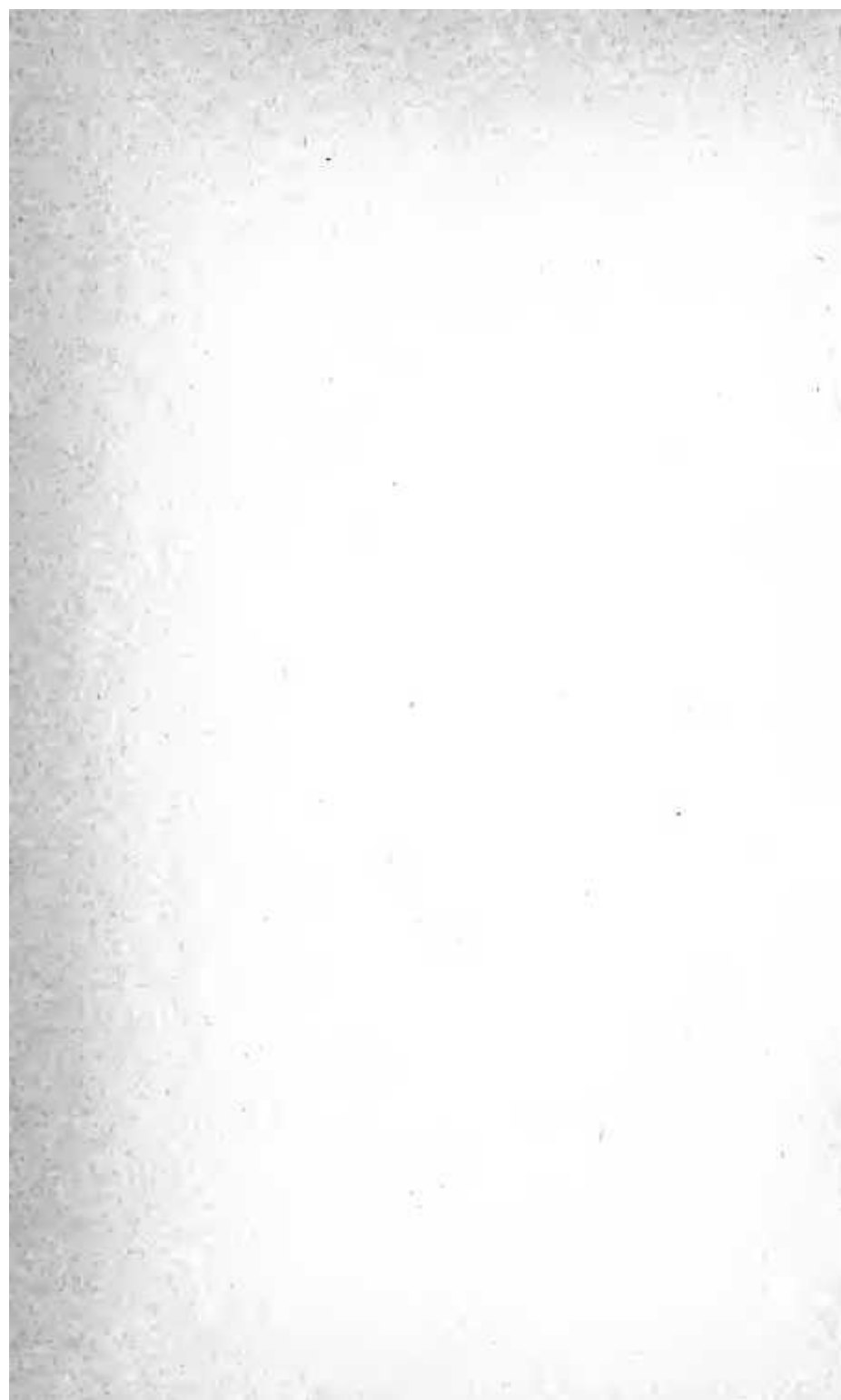
*As a Token of Gratitude, this Little Volume*

*Is*

*Tenderly Dedicated*

*By the Author.*

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### PUBLISHER'S NOTICE.

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Not long ago the publisher of this book and several others met in the office of Mr. Grigsby. The subject of our conversation was the reviving interest in war stories and reminiscences, evidenced by the prominence given to that class of literature by all the leading magazines of the day. Incidentally, Mr. Grigsby remarked that he had, in manuscript, a book written several years ago, narrating what his sons called, his "Adventures in the War," which he designed, sometime, to have published in pamphlet form for distribution among his relatives and friends.

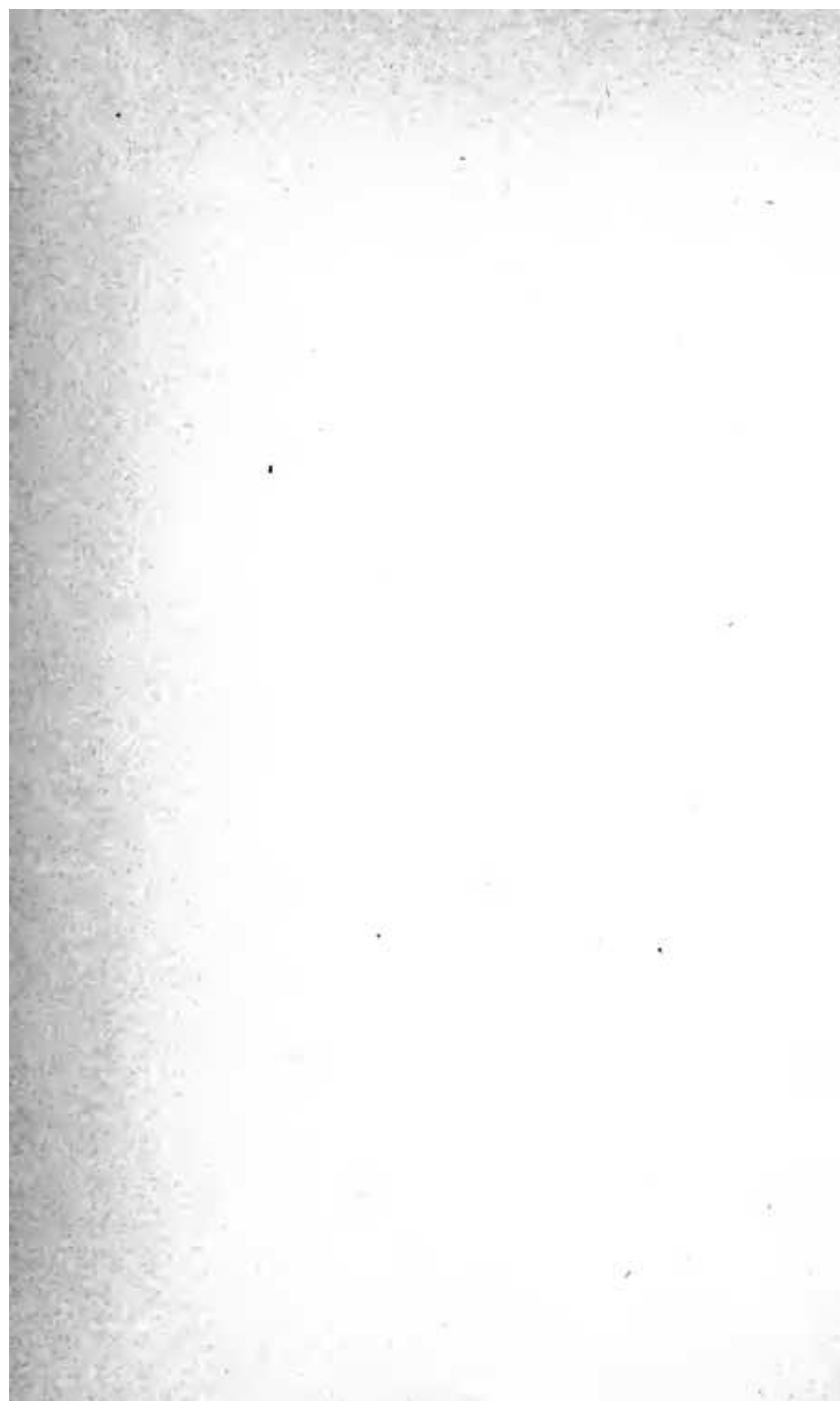
Having previously heard that his experiences as a soldier were of an unusually varied and interesting character, my curiosity was aroused and, yielding to my solicitations, Mr. Grigsby finally permitted me to see his manuscript. A careful reading convinced me that were it published in book form it would meet with a favorable reception, not only by the relatives and personal friends of the author, but also by thousands of veterans and sons of veterans, by all, in fact, who take an interest in the stirring incidents of our civil war.

Frankly believing this, I persuaded Mr. Grigsby, to have the book published under the title of "The Smoked Yank," and agreed to be responsible for the success of the enterprise. Whether or not my judgment was well-founded, is for the public to determine.

To my request for a preface, the author replied: "You have assumed the responsibility, and if you deem that explanations or apologies are due the reader, make them yourself." The publisher has none to offer.

SAM T. CLOVER.

STOUX FALLS, DAKOTA, May, 1888.



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