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To him that overcometh will I grant to sit with me in my throne, even as I also overcame, and am set down with my Father in his throne. Rev. 111, 21.



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PREFACE

This little volume is made up of sketches of the lives of fifteen real men, men who loved the highest and who made duty the first thing in They were all of them lovers of their lives. Christ, and fit as any men on the earth ever are to join that company of whom we are told that they follow the Lamb whithersoever He goeth. "And in their mouth was found no lie and they are without blemish." Yet the unblemished perfection is not claimed for them. In their wholesomeness of nature they would have resented the suggestion with derision. They were of the Christian type which despises unreality and is acknowledged to represent the noblest ideal of a man. There are scores of living men as winning and fearless and pure and true, but only those who were all this and have passed on are eligible for use in such a little book as this, and I have ventured to use them as a challenge and contradiction to those who think Christianity a weak and unmanly thing, or as a fine but impracticable thing, and as an appeal to the boys and young men who may read to rise up and follow such men as these, as they rose up and followed Christ.

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