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## INTRODUCTION

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THE aim of this book, which was suggested at the close of a long conference between the Secretary and the Missionary Superintendents of the Congregational Sunday-School and Publishing Society, is altogether practical. It has in mind, first of all, the hundreds who are called upon each year to superintend and to teach, who have had no experience in the work and little opportunity for observation. Many of these are in the newer places where this is the first Christian work attempted and where there are no surrounding supports from sympathizing pastors or warm-hearted Christians. Others are in the older and larger places suddenly called to new positions of responsibility, and where they long for advice which may not be at hand just when they want it.

The Sunday-school Conventions or Institutes cover this same ground, or parts of it, whenever they meet, but they meet only occasionally and can reach but a small fraction of those who need most the help they bring. This little book may aid in supplying the information and advice which come from such gatherings of earnest Christian workers. Of course it cannot arouse the enthusiasm which comes from personal contact with those who are both wise and zealous and who shed both warmth and light. And yet these pages have not been prepared without earnest sympathy with those who are trying to do what they can in this important department, nor without a constant prayer that it may help to the great end for which alone the Sunday-school has a right to be.

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