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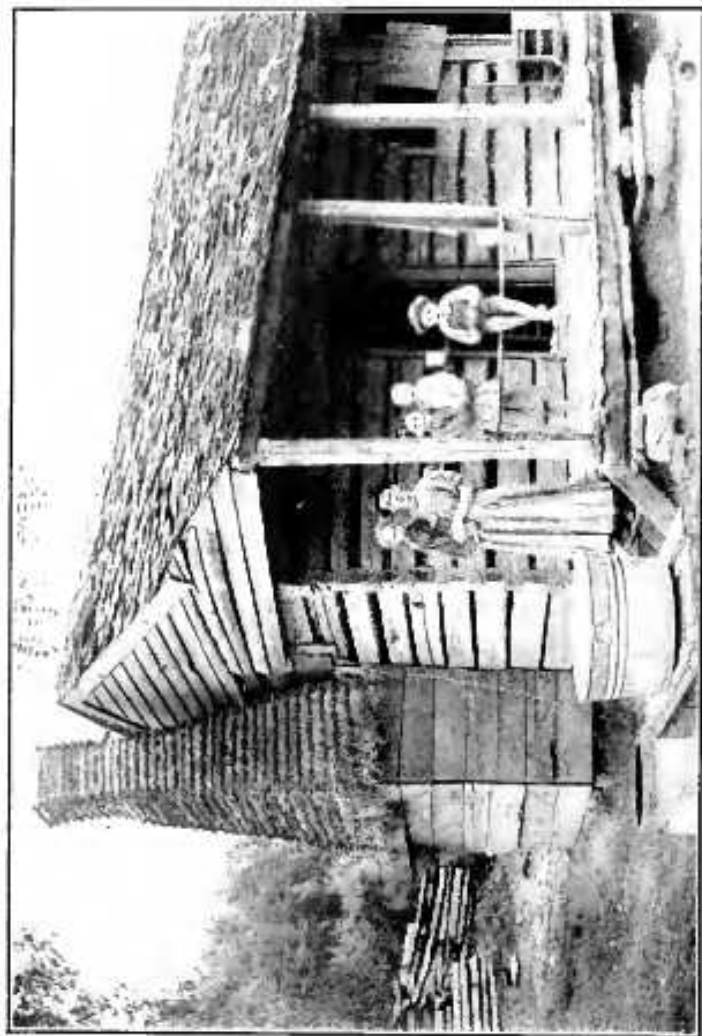
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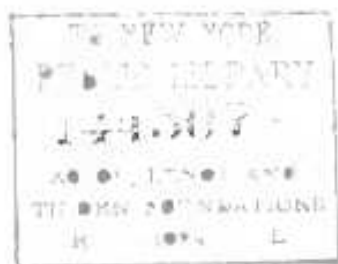
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## FOREWORD

THE field of the American Church extends over our entire land. It includes city, town, village, and country, throughout the North, the South, the East, and the West. Every division of this wide field is intensely interesting to the loyal Christian. No other part of the field appeals to the heart with more romantic interest than does that included in the southern Appalachians. In this little book the story of the southern mountaineers is told by one who has been all his lifetime identified with them, and loves them, and has been their ready champion whenever occasion offered. The Board is glad to have the story so authoritatively and sympathetically presented to the Church at large.—FIRST EDITION, 1906.

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## REVISION

THE Board of Home Missions has taken advantage of the call for a fourth edition of "The Southern Mountaineers" to ask the author to revise the book in order to incorporate in it the results of the census of 1910, and a statement of the changes that have taken place in the mountain field and in the work of our church in that field during the past eight years. In compliance with this request, the author has written into the present revised edition the matters referred to, together with the results of his own continued study of the general subject involved.

The value of the revised edition has, moreover, been greatly increased by the generous permission accorded the author by Mr. John C. Campbell, Secretary of the Southern Highland Division of the Sage Foundation, to make free use of the facts and statistical data of his unpublished study of the Southern Highland region. The personal, thorough-going, and scholarly investigation of the southern mountain problem that Mr. Campbell has been carrying forward under the auspices of the Sage Foundation during the past six years is the most important contribution yet made to an exact and scientific knowledge of the facts involved in that problem. The principal use