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To My Husband

THIS WORK IS DEDICATED

INTRODUCTORY NOTE

FROM the simplicity of the Indians, through the biographies of gold-seeking Spaniards and the indolence of the Spanish occupation, to the complexities of the constitutional era, runs this writing. To have been purely historical by omitting the story element would have taken the work out of the realm of the children for whom it is intended; to have presented only incidents and biographies would have destroyed historical values. So the book is indeed a story of history, a collection of stories selected and arranged to present historical characteristics and tendencies of periods.

Believing that to some extent the form of narration should follow the psychological development of the subject treated, the manner of telling the story has been steadily adapted to meet conditions. Simple and childlike when writing of the Indians; biographical in the early days before the efforts of an individual were reckoned into the sum of activities; thoughtful and reasoning in the difficulties of the contact with foreigners.

If the children of the Pacific slope read and enjoy, finding in and between the lines an uprising of love and respect for their glorious country, and of determined loyalty in the protection of its honor and morality, this little book will have fulfilled its mission.

R. V. W.

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