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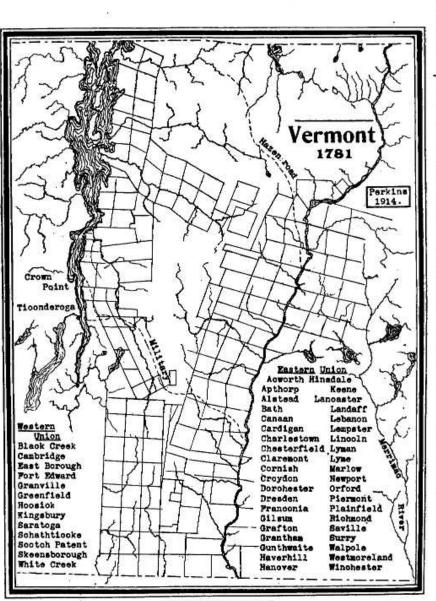
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# Foreword

If people should request an excuse for the bringing out of this book, I would refer them to John Cotton Dana of Newark, N. J., as being the guilty party. When he paid me a visit at my house on the hilltop three years ago and examined several volumes of manuscript papers relating to early Vermont history, he urged that it was my duty to take a pen and use my invaluable collection.

The twelve chapters here presented are primarily a study of ideals of character in the state's political history, supplemented with a review of early social and religious customs. I have treated the salient points in a narrative and critical style. Vermont history is not to be duplicated in any other country, and whenever possible I have given the story in the original language.

# WALTER E. PERKINS

Pomfret, July, 1916

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