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PREFACE

The author of this book wishes to gratefully acknowledge the help which she received in developing the manuscript. Without the use of texts previously written, the task would have been impossible. The historical facts have been gathered from all of these,—rearranged and reorganized,—in an attempt to adapt them to the course outlined for the sixth grade in the Course of Study for Elementary Schools.

The works which have given her invaluable information are:

Brief History of South Dakota, Doane Robinson

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South Dakota Geography, Loren G., and Nora M.

Atherton

Indians at Work

South Dakota Historical Collections

The Sun Shines on South Dakota

States Attorney's Report on Rural Credits, M. Q. Sharp

The New Deal, Southworth and Southworth

Civil Government of South Dakota, F. L. Ransom

Many other pamphlets and bulletins, kindly furnished by the South Dakota Free Library, Pierre.

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We have not included tests in this text, since good tests are already published by several companies in the state to correspond with the course. Workbooks are also available which fit the subject matter in this text, and will provide excellent seat-work.

As the student learns the history of his state, we hope he will be impressed by the hardships already overcome in its development, and will feel urged to use his own talents and ability in solving the problems ahead. Our state is young. Its best days are ahead. Our difficulties will be overcome and a new order established, and we who are living now are having a part in the task. Our future history depends upon the kind of a job we do.

M. T. B.

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