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FOREWORD

The Holiday Plays contained in this volume were written for the boys and girls of my own clubs, and I trust may be useful in homes, schools and settlements. The plays are short and simple in language, requiring few rehearsals, and little stage setting and few properties.

The story accompanying each drama is to be either read or told to the cast, for it is my experience that young people are more interested in the play if it has been preceded by the story. I have written all these stories as far as possible in the form in which I have told them successfully to my own groups.

The story-telling program which serves as an introduction to the audience has also proved most popular.

The costumes have been carefully considered and pains have been taken that they should be simple in design, harmonious in color and appropriate in historic value, as well as easy for the busy teacher to make with little effort.

A list of cheap materials which may be used very effectively on the amateur stage is added.

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