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PREFACE.

The "Genealogy of the Descendants of Solomon Peirce of Lexington" is the outcome of a desire to trace the lineage and perpetuate the memory of our ancestor who took part in the Revolutionary War. The first inspiration to undertake this work was received from a conversation held in 1900 with Mrs. Amanda Peirce Morton, a grand-daughter of Solomon Peirce, whose personal reminiscences started the interest which finally resulted in the erection of a monument over his unmarked grave. From the first reunion of the family, on the occasion of the dedication of this monument, the interest increased, and this record, undertaken without any thought of publication, is the result.

As time went on, new members of the family were discovered. Three grand-daughters have been traced who could remember interesting incidents connected with the life of Solomon Peirce, one of whom is still with us, aged ninety-two, and many relics are still preserved by his descendants.

In response to the request of relatives I have finally undertaken to publish the record.

It has been a pleasant but also a long task, partly owing to delay in answering letters of inquiry or sending in family records, and in many instances it has taken much inquiry and correspondence to locate family branches. There have been many interested helpers, among whom it gives me great pleasure to mention the names of those who have aided materially in this work. Miss Emeline Dillaway Fish has given valuable information of her own branch (Amity Peirce), which must have been lost except for her diligent researches, besides aiding in many other ways.

Mr. Herbert Francis Dam, of San Francisco (of the sixth gen-

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eration from Solomon Peirce), contributed a large part of the data for the Appendix, and also the charts.

Prof. Arthur Winslow Peirce (of the fifth generation) looked up the military record of Solomon Peirce, from the Massachusetts Archives, on the occasion of erecting and dedicating a monument to his memory.

Thanks are due to all who have in any way contributed to make the record a success. Many dates have been taken from town records and graveyards, but, with all care and time bestowed, many omissions and mistakes will occur, which, it is hoped, will be pardoned.

Children's children are the crown of old men; and the glory of children are their fathers.—Prov. xvii. 6.

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