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### MY MOTHER, ANN MILLER

WHO FOR NINETY YEARS LOVED FLOWERS FED THE BIRDS, WAS KIND TO ANIMALS, THIS VOLUME IS MOST AFFECTIONATELY DEDICATED



#### PREFACE

Cooperative gardening is one of the newer movements for the education of the young and for the elevation of neglected and unfortunate classes; yet it has already become an important factor in the school and home life of many places under the auspices of school authorities, civic leagues, improvement associations, women's clubs, settlement houses, libraries and other bodies.

This movement has two motives—the transforming of barren, dreary, ill-kept school grounds and other uncared-for public places into bowers of beauty and good taste, and developing in children love of Nature, appreciation of her beauties and ability to enhance for their own enjoyment and the public good the æsthetic effect of their immediate surroundings.

This book has been written especially in the interest of children's gardens, but it contains much that may prove of value to all who care for this noble art. It is believed that it will be especially valuable in showing what can be accomplished by a slight expenditure of time, money