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THIS IS A BOOK FOR THE CITIZEN;
FOR THE CITIZEN WHO WOULD KNOW WHAT HIS CITY WAS,
WHAT IT IS AND HOW IT BECAME SO; FOR THE CITI-
ZEN WHO WANTS HIS CITY TO GROW BETTER, WHO
HAS IDEALS FOR ITS IMPROVEMENT, OR WHO
IS SEEKING FOR SUCH IDEALS; FOR THE
CITIZEN WHO IS WILLING, WORKING
WITH OTHERS, TO HELP MAKE CIN-
CINNATI A COMMUNITY WHICH
CONTRIBUTES THE GREATEST
POSSIBLE GOOD TO EACH
OF ITS MEMBERS.

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Preface

Cities become greater as their people take intelligent interest in public affairs.

While interest may be aroused through curiosity, it becomes intelligent interest only when developed by the aid of knowledge.

But people have found great difficulty in learning the facts about their city, its community life, its government, its institutions.

It is to furnish a source of such information that this book has been prepared. It contains much that can not be found in print elsewhere. It has been produced by the cooperation of the Chamber of Commerce, the Public Schools, and the contributors who wrote the original drafts of many of the chapters.

In its preparation an effort has been made to use Cincinnati as a type of community life. Underlying principles and constructive methods are discussed. The obligations of the citizen to the city, as well as those of the city to the citizen, are set forth.

Special effort has been made to secure accuracy of statement and to avoid ambiguity. Some of the chapters appear almost as originally written by their contributors; others have been abridged, or amplified, or materially modified both in subject matter and treatment, to conform to the general plan of the book.

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