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DEDICATED TO THE MEMORY OF MY BE-LOVED AND HONORED FATHER, WHO GAVE HIS ELDEST CHILD TO THE WORK OF FOR-EIGN MISSIONS AND SOON AFTER LAID DOWN HIS OWN LIFE IN THE WORK OF HOME MISSIONS

PREFACE

When in the providence of God my duty had been made plain to me that I should retire from active service on the foreign field to spend the remainder of my days in the home land, I was glad that they said to me "Come and tell us of your life and work," hoping thus to do something for the cause. I soon found that it is very little that can be told in the short time given for a missionary address. So I felt impelled to write it out, and thus tell more fully of my experiences in Persia. My little book is not a history, nor is it a diary or a journal. It does not go into deep things, but is only a simple story of my missionary life, with greetings to my many friends whose love and prayers have been a help and blessing to me all the years. I have been guided in the selection of matter by questions that have been asked me. and what I have written is largely answers to such questions. I beg of my readers leniency in judgment, for my work is far from perfect; but imperfection marks all our labors here below. With the salutation of the East I greet you

> "Sala'am-alakum" Peace be unto you.