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PREFACE

In preparing these pages for publication, the author has not attempted to give a complete or consecutive history of his life as conductor on the railroad during the past forty years, for that would be beyond the scope of a simple work of this kind. On a thread of autobiography he has arranged a series of sketches, drawn from his own experiences and from those of his associates in the service, dealing with all subjects from the standpoint of a railroad man.

Some material for this work has been drawn from the literature of the day, especially as it appears in magazines and newspapers, but a series of memoranda, kept at irregular intervals during the past four decades, has been chiefly drawn upon, as have also letters from friends, and interviews with those who shared the author's experiences in early days. Should omissions or errors be noticed in the data of this volume, let it be remembered that the writer has necessarily largely depended upon his memory in its compilation.

Although this book is written by a railroad man and is dedicated to railroad men, it is hoped and believed that the general public will find herein a fund of information and entertainment that will commend it to all classes of readers. It is with this in view that the author gives these pages to the world

C. B. GEORGE.

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