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### **Dedicated**

TO THE OFFICERS AND SOLDIERS WHOM I HAD  
THE HONOR TO COMMAND DURING THE WAR FOR  
THE ENLARGEMENT OF HUMAN LIBERTY, THE PER-  
PETUATION OF FREE INSTITUTIONS, AND THE  
PRESERVATION OF THE REPUBLIC—"A GOVERN-  
MENT OF THE PEOPLE, BY THE PEOPLE, AND FOR  
THE PEOPLE"





## PREFATORY NOTE

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My grandfather was a slaveholder. My father was an Abolitionist. While a student in college I learned to believe in the doctrine of the brotherhood of man and to hate slavery. During the war I organized four regiments of Negro soldiers ; was colonel of the Fourteenth U. S. Colored Infantry ; organized and commanded the First Colored Brigade of the Army of the Cumberland, and participated in numerous engagements with both white and black soldiers. Since the war I have had an abiding and growing interest in the progress of the Negroes. For more than five years, as the executive officer of the American Baptist Home Mission Society, under whose auspices an extensive educational and missionary work has been carried on for the Negroes, I have had occasion to study their conditions critically, to make frequent public addresses, and to write numerous essays. Some of these are

### **Prefatory Note**

now printed together with the hope that they may be serviceable as well as interesting. Written at different times, for specific purposes, with no intention of making a book, the essays contain a little repetition and lack of unity, defects which I hope the reader will kindly pardon. I could not remedy them without marring the individuality of the papers.

The essay on "The Ideal Republic" is added because it sets forth the essential principles underlying the relation of eight million Negroes to their fellow-citizens of the republic. The final solution of this great question holds in it very much for weal or woe not only for the Negroes and their descendants, but also for all that mighty host who are to constitute the Twentieth Century Republic.

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