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1861.

"Care for him who bone the HEAT AND BURDEN OF THE BATTLE" A.LINCOLN



Columbia: "Unless you, my son, save me, I will be ruined. Go and do your duly, and if you save me I will be your generous friend and protector as long as you live."

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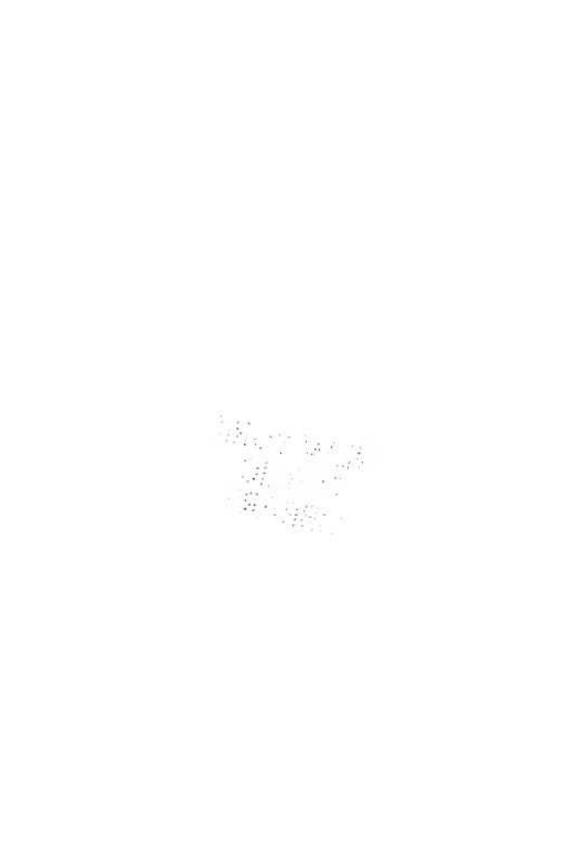
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DEDICATED TO MY COMPADES OF THE CIVIL WAR, ESPECIALLY THOSE OF COMPANY C, SEVENTH ILLINOIS CAVALRY, OF WHICH I, WAS A MEMBER

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PREFACE.

The story contained in this book is a true one. It was taken from letters, memoranda and memory. The author has in his possession twenty-nine letters written by him while in the army, from 1861 to 1865, and sent to his relatives, who returned them to him at the close of the war,

The memoranda were written soon after his return from the army. The accounts taken from memory are reasonably correct, as the scenes through which he passed, though here poorly portrayed, are of a character not easily forgotten. They are indelibly stamped upon the memory, and it seems, as time rolls on, that it renders the recollection of them even more vivid and distinct. After revising this story a number of times it is presented to the reader in its present form,

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