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"The saints of many a warring creed,  
Who now in Heaven have learned  
That all paths to the Father lead  
Where Self the feet have spurned."

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## A P R E F A C E

FOR CHILDREN WHO CARE TO LEARN.



MY DEAR CHILDREN : —

In November, 1868, I started for the Cotton Islands. I went through Baltimore, Richmond, Petersburg, and Wilmington, to Charleston, S. C., by rail, and from Charleston to Beaufort by steamer. At Beaufort, on a lovely night, when the stars hung low and quivering in the sky, and seemed just ready to drop in golden showers, I got into a carriage, dragged by an old government horse, named Button, and went over the swamps under the live oaks, and among the curtains of swaying moss, to Old Fort Plantation, where I was to make my longest stay.

I went, because I had long loved the colored people, and I was anxious to see what they were doing, and what they most needed. I saw everything but the *Sunny South*. That I did not see,

for the sun would not shine, nor the frost yield, until long after I came away!

I came back "the way I went," as Mother Goose sings in a very old song; and in every city, rosy-cheeked children climbed my knee to hear what I had seen. I would begin to tell my story to the little people, but older folks would gather round and ask questions, and I found, to my surprise, that people who were paying a great deal of money for the schools and homes of the colored people, knew very little about them, and had not the least idea of the life they lived, before the fortunes of war had set them free.

Now, I did not like to talk to people older than myself, — dear friends of mine also, as if they were little children, so I was often silent, when I wished to speak. At last, the children said, "Do write some story books for us, and tell us everything that happened."

I yielded at once, for I thought the children would talk about my stories, and ask questions of those older, and so all who wished might learn what I had to tell.

I know there are people who think this subject so sad and painful that they will not like to have