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TO

GILMAN HALL

"And we, whom you befriended, we, who caught

The kindly heart behind each casual thought,

Pass on this prouder message, whispered low:

Here is a man all men were glad to know!"

-Asthur Stringer

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PREFACE

Broadway—that over-lighted part of it, of which I write—changes faster than the main street of a mining town. Its festivities, scandals, shootings, shows, celebrities, and above all its favourite resorts, flicker across the surface of the year like moving pictures on a wide-spread sheet. What was written of it last year, last week, or yesterday, cannot be correct to-day, in detail. I therefore attempt nothing more, in the following pages, than a picture of the Spirit of Broadway.

The second paper in this book—Lobster Palace Society—was written some three years ago, and has to-day a sort of archæological value. Remark the changes that have come, since then! Martin's, at Madison Square, is gone forever; a skyscraper