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PREFACE

This record of the Boston Battery of Field Artillery has been prepared in the hope that the many men who have given their time and energy to the organization in the past may be interested to recall their days of service, and in the hope that the failures and successes of these first ten years may be instructive and, perhaps, inspiring to the men who are going to continue

the record of the Battery in the future.

The editor is indebted to Captain Arthur Blake for a part of the story of the first camp; to the late Nathan G. Horton for the story of the march from Sandwich to Boston in 1900; and to Sergeant Roger D. Swaim for the account of the camp at Lakeville in 1902. Acknowledgment is also due to General Samuel D. Parker, Colonel Ormond F. Nims, Lieutenant-Colonel J. C. R. Peabody, the late Major Edward J. Jones, Captain Howard L. Rogers, Sergeant R. H. Weld, Sergeant Fulton Blake, and to many other past and present members of the Battery for their interest, information, and advice.

The facts and figures have been taken, so far as possible, from the records of the Battery, from the official reports upon it, and from the contemporaneous accounts published in the daily papers. The editor has tried neither to minimize the criticism nor to magnify the praise bestowed upon the Battery from time to time. That many items of interest are omitted is inevitable, and that many facts are set down which might better have been left out is probable. But the book is not written with any idea that it will be a work of literature, and if it serves to keep alive the records and to bring the old men and the new men into closer relations, it will more than fulfil its purpose.

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