PREFACE.

Some of the following pencillings have already appeared in the columns of the *Guardian* or the *Missionary Outlook*, but are here put in a shape more adapted to preservation and recurrent use. Our only excuse for so doing, is the wish that our people, and especially our young people, should enjoy a better acquaintance with the practical side of Missionary Work.

Conscious of the lack of perfectness exhibited here, we send out these pages with the prayer that the divine blessing may follow their perusal.

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