

*To Misses W. K.*  
*from Miss M. M.*  
*Toronto Ont. December 18<sup>th</sup> 1874*



## PREFACE.

DEAR CANADIAN CHILDREN,

I bring my little book to you with the earnest wish that God's blessing may attend it, and abide with you all your lives long!

I love my native land, my Canada home, very, very dearly; and you, the children of our Dominion, share in this love, and hold strong possession of my heart. For, looking forward a few years, I see in you, now so small, and weak, and childish, the power that will move a mighty nation for good or evil.