

PREFACE

THE purpose of this book is to place on lasting record the history of No. 8 Canadian Field Ambulance. It does not profess to be an absolutely detailed account of this unit's service, but rather a summary of important events since its mobilisation. In one or two isolated cases it may be found to be incomplete, but it is hoped that the real purpose for which it is written will be accomplished, that is, to have some permanent testimony of the service rendered during the great European War. It is felt that the many experiences during the strenuous times when the ambulance served in France and Belgium are too significant to be thrown into the background of "forgotten and bygone days," and it may be that this book will also serve as a link between those many happy associations which were formed under such outstanding circumstances during those trying times.