

## PREFACE

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Pioneer Sketches is the result of an effort by the Daughters of the American Revolution in Wisconsin, to preserve, as far as possible the story of those sturdy mothers of pioneer days who gave of their best to their community and state, and by so doing left not alone a legacy we may enjoy but an obligation for us to carry on—to stand for those principles of right living, careful judgment, and loving consideration for others, which was characteristic of all their lives.

As State Historian I have endeavored to give the idea and gather in the material, but have made no attempt to rewrite or change any of the papers. They are yours, given to you by the loyal hands that wrote the stories, some not used to writing but the story is there and full of interest.

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This book is dedicated to the Daughters of the American Revolution in Wisconsin as a token of appreciation for their willing co-operation in the work for our State, especially to those who contributed the papers, and the Regents who by their continual efforts made this book possible.

My one regret is that every chapter is not represented.