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His influence was not confined to the Church. His consistent life was seen by all, and was as an epistle sent forth. Kind by nature and benevolent in his feelings, he was ever ready to sympathise with the afflicted. Even worldly minded men treated him with deference and respect, and looked upon him as the model of a Christian gentleman, who, though differing from them, yet had respect for their failings, and could properly appreciate their sentiments. To the end of life he "had a good report of them which are without."

S. L. WATSON.

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### REV. WILLIAM H. ADAMS.

WILLIAM HOOPER ADAMS, the son of the Rev. Dr. Nehemiah Adams and Martha Hooper Adams, was born in Boston, Mass., January 8, 1838. He received the rudiments of his education in the Brimmer School, in Boston. In 1856 he entered Harvard University, Cambridge, Mass. It was during this year that he made a public profession of his faith in Christ, and became a member of Union church, Essex Street, Boston, of which his honored father was pastor during nearly the whole of his ministry. In 1860, he entered the Theological Seminary at Andover, Mass. He had been a member of this institution but a few months when he removed South, and accepted the position of private tutor in a family in Georgia. In January, 1861, he became a student of the Theological Seminary at Columbia, S. C. He was licensed to preach the gospel, September 27, 1862, in Greensboro, Ga., by the Presbytery of Hopewell. On November 21, 1863, he was ordained as evangelist of the same Presbytery, convened at Athens, Ga. Immediately after his ordination, he ministered to the churches of Danielsville, Sandy Creek, Paolia, and Bethhaven, Ga. Mr. Adams began his ministry in Eufaula, Ala., November 15, 1865. In the summer of 1866, he was called home by the illness of his aged father, and consequently resigned his pastorate.

The remainder of his ministerial life, covering a period of twelve years, was chiefly spent in Charleston, S. C., as pastor of the "Circular Church," of which he took charge February 20, 1867.

During the summer of 1867 he supplied the Congregational church of Middleboro, Mass., and during part of the same year, Vine Street church, Roxbury, Mass. He also supplied the Hancock church, Lexington, Mass., during the absence of its pastor, one year. In March, 1880, he was invited to supply the Union Central church, at Sullivan's Island, near Charleston, S. C. But before entering upon his work he was attacked with jaundice, and on Saturday, May 15, he passed peacefully away. His last words were, "Grace and glory in the great congregation!"

Mr. Adams was twice married; first to Miss Pauline Thomas, of Athens, Ga., and afterwards to Miss Margaret E. Holmes, of Charleston, S. C.

Mr. Adams was an able, earnest, and successful preacher, of the Calvinistic school. His piety was of a deeply devotional and experimental type, which, combined with a genial, sympathetic, and buoyant nature, made him a beloved and successful pastor. He was a laborious student, and aimed at the highest literary excellence. He prepared several works for the press, only two of which he lived to publish, viz., "Seven Words from the Cross," and "Walks to Emmaus." G. R. BRACKETT.

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### MR. WILLIAM ALCORN.

By the side of the grave of William Epstein is that of William Alcorn, who was a graduate of the University of Pennsylvania, and had been a student of the Seminary at Princeton. He arrived in Columbia in December, 1855, having studied at Princeton. He had hardly been a fortnight in Columbia when he was seized in the public street, near the Seminary, with a sudden and