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ness for more than a year. In Jan., 1876, he was injured by a fall in the street, and never fully recovered, and from this time he suffered severely from neuralgia, and his system gradually gave way. He died in Washington, D. C., Jan. 23, 1878, in the 75th year of his age.

Dr. Smith was a man of acute mind, great strength of character, an emotional nature, a determined will, sensitive conscience, and great tenderness. He was pre eminently a revival preacher, not spasmodic, but continuous, efficient and successful. He was a devoted student of the Bible, and abundant and systematic in pastoral visitation.

Dr. Smith married, April 20, 1830, Jane Lowry, of Baltimore, who survives him.

X.

EDWARD TONGÉ BUIST, D. D.

Dr. Buist was born in Charleston, S. C., March 1, 1809. His parents were the Rev. George Buist, D.D., a distinguished divine and scholar, who came from Scotland to Charleston, and Mary (Somers) Buist. He was prepared for college in Charleston, under the tuition of Mr. William E. Bailey. Having spent the year 1826 in Charleston College, he entered in the year following at the College of South Carolina, but was not graduated anywhere. Early in life he united with the Scotch Presbyterian Church of Charleston, for which his father officiated for many years as pastor. He entered Princeton Seminary in the fall of 1828, took a full course of three years, and remained some time after its end. He was licensed by the Presbytery of New Brunswick, Feb. 8, 1832, and Jan. 10, 1833, was ordained by the Charleston Union Presbytery, and installed pastor of the Presbyterian church on James' Island. There he labored from 1833 to 1837. In 1838 he began to supply the Nazareth Church in or near Greenville, in the Presbytery of South Carolina, of which presbytery he then became a member and remained a member until his death. At the same time he made his residence in Greenville, S. C., and with one brief exception (1857-62), resided there for the remainder of his life. From 1841 until 1857 he seems to have supplied for different terms the Nazareth, Mt. Tabor and Fairview churches in that vicinity. In 1857 he became President of the Female College at

Laurens Court House, S. C., which flourished greatly under his administration. He remained there until June, 1861. In that year he accepted a call to become pastor of the Washington St Church, in Greenville, and was accordingly installed May 4th, 1862. Of this church he continued to be pastor until his death, which event occurred Nov. 10, 1877, in the 69th year of his age. His disease was congestion of the lungs.

Dr. Buist was thrice married. 1. In Charleston, S. C., Dec. 18, 1832, to Margaret Robinson, daughter of John Robinson, Esq.; 2. At Greenville, S. C., July 8, 1841, to Mrs. Emma H. Lowndes; 3. At Greenville, S. C., May 23, 1867, to Miss McNeal. Several children by the first two marriages are settled in life. The third Mrs. Buist survives with three small children.

XI.

JAMES HARRISON.

James Harrison was born at Orange, N. J., Oct. 29, 1802. His parents were Thomas and Nancy (Osborne) Harrison. He prepared for College first at Bloomfield (N. J.) Academy, and afterwards under the Rev. John Ford, of Parsippany, N. J. He was hopefully converted in Newark, N. J., and united with the First Presbyterian Church in that city in the seventeenth year of his age.

In the autumn of 1823 he entered Williams College, Mass., and remained there about one year, when he was compelled to leave on account of failing health. He was received under the care of Elizabethtown Presbytery as a candidate for the ministry. In the Fall of 1828 he entered Princeton Seminary, but spent only one year there when he withdrew because of poor health. He next spent one year in the study of theology with his older brother, the Rev. Elias Harrison, D. D., of Alexandria, Va., and taught in the Alexandria Academy about three years. On the 22d day of April, 1830, he was licensed by the Presbytery of Elizabethtown. He soon after went to Ohio, and in Oct. 4, 1831, was dismissed to the Presbytery of Lancaster in that state. For one year (1831-2) he preached as stated supply at Newark, Ohio, and while there married, Dec. 8, 1831, Miss Fidelia Buckingham, who still lives. He next went to Cincinnati, Ohio, where he supplied the pulpit of the Second Presbyterian Church about six months. Thence he went to Troy, Ohio, where he was ordained by the Presbytery of Miami, May 24,