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# The Inauguration of President Mackay

**T**N the beautiful Chapel of Princeton University on Tuesday, the second of February, the Rev. John Alexander Mackay, Litt.D., was inaugurated as President of the Seminary. In addition to the Trustees, the Faculty, the student body and a large gathering of the Alumni and other friends of the Seminary, one hundred and ten institutions and boards were represented by official delegates. The Rev. William L. McEwan, D.D., LL.D., President of the Board of Trustees, presided. The Scripture was read by the Rev. Albert J. Mc-Cartney, D.D., and the music was furnished by the Westminster Choir School and the Seminary Choir. Following the Ceremony of Inauguration prayer was offered by the Rev. Peter K. Emmons. The charge to Dr. Mackay was made by Dr. Robert E. Speer. President Mackay delivered the inaugural address on the subject of "The Restoration of Theology." The benediction was pronounced by the Rev. Frank Sergeant Niles.

Immediately following the service a luncheon was served to the official delegates and representatives of the Alumni in the dining-room of the Westminster Choir School.

The charge by Dr. Speer and President Mackay's inaugural address are printed in this issue of the BULLETIN.

### REV. JOSEPH H. DULLES

#### 1853-1937

THE Rev. Joseph Heatly Dulles, who **I** died from an apoplectic stroke on the morning of March 8, 1937, was the son of the Rev. John W. Dulles, who had been a missionary in India and afterwards Editorial Superintendent of the Presbyterian Board of Publication for sixteen years. Two other sons, Allen Macy and William, were connected with special institutions of the Presbyterian Church, the first as Professor of Theism and Apologetics at Auburn Seminary and the second as Treasurer of the Board of Foreign Missions. Mr. Dulles was prepared for college at the Tennent School at Hartsville, Pennsylvania, and at Hastings' Academy, Philadelphia. He was graduated by the College of New Jersey (now Princeton University) in 1873, taught one year at Wilkes-Barre, then entered Princeton Seminary, graduating in 1877. He was licensed by the Presbytery of Philadelphia and supplied the churches at Jenkintown and Edge Hill. After his ordination December 9, 1877, he became Stated Supply of the First Presbyterian Church of Nebraska City, Nebraska, serving that church until June 1878. The next year was spent in travel in Europe, Egypt and Palestine. After his return from abroad he served as pastor of the Second Presbyterian Church of Belvidere, New Jersey, for more than two years, resigning in January 1883 because of throat trouble. He again went abroad, spending nearly two years in European travel and study at Leipzig.

In November 1886 Mr. Dulles began the great work of his life. Dr. William Henry Roberts, the first Librarian of Princeton

Seminary to give his whole time to the Library, resigned after nine years of service, having become Stated Clerk of the General Assembly, and Mr. Dulles succeeded him, giving forty-five years of service in that position. He reorganized the catalog and increased the facilities in every way. The Library was accounted as having 45,000 volumes at the beginning of his service and 130,000 at the close in 1931. More notable than the mere increase in numbers was the high standard maintained in the character of the additions. He added to buildings by insisting that the Trustees must find money for expansion or cripple the future of the Library. He increased the staff in order that the library facilities might be more accessible. But chiefly his efforts were devoted to making this Library one of the greatest collections of books on theology and related subjects to be found in America.

In addition to this work, Mr. Dulles served as Secretary of the Alumni Association from 1887 until 1913. He edited the Necrological Reports from 1891 until 1932, and supervised the collecting and arranging of the material for the General and Biographical Catalogs of the Seminary issued in 1894 and 1909. He prepared the only historical sketch of the Seminary issued in recent years, edited the William Henry Green Memorial volume issued in 1896, and prepared the Bibliography of President James McCosh of Princeton University, issued in 1895. If he had lived until May 27, 1937, he would have been eighty-four years of age.

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