HISTORY



OF THE

Reformed Presbyterian Church

IN

AMERICA:

WITH SKETCHES OF ALL HER MINISTRY, CONGREGATIONS, MISSIONS, INSTITUTIONS, PUBLICATIONS, Etc., AND EMBELLISHED WITH OVER FIFTY PORTRAITS AND ENGRAVINGS.

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seek the bracing air of Mt. Lebanon. While in Beyrout a relapse of the fever set in, with symptoms of softening of the brain, from which he died, June 21, 1872, and was buried in the Prussian Cemetery, under the shadow of Mt. Lebanon, Syria. He married Miss Anna Martin, of Lisbon Centre, New York, September 19, 1871. He was a pleasing and impressive preacher. By his accurate scholarship, studious habits, manly independence and earnest Christian character, he was eminently fitted for the work which he had undertaken. His discourses were carefully prepared, methodically arranged, and chaste in style. He was faithfully and conscientiously engaged in duty when his Master called him.

MATTHEW AUGUSTINE GAULT:

Son of John and Martha (Adams) Gault, was born in Coleraine, County Londonderry, Ireland, May 2, 1845. In 1847, his parents came to America, settled near Brockport, Monroe County, New York, and in 1852, they removed to Waukesha, Waukesha County, Wisconsin. Here he connected with the Covenanter Church, and received his early education, graduating from Monmouth College in 1870. He studied theology in the Allegheny Seminary, and was licensed by the Pittsburgh Presbytery, April 15, 1874. He was ordained by the Iowa Presbytery, installed pastor of Lind Grove congregation, Mediapolis, Des Moines County, Iowa, May 20, 1875, and resigned this charge, October 4, 1877. He became stated supply to the Long Branch congregation, Blanchard, Page County, Iowa, and was installed the pastor October I, 1880. He resigned this charge, October 25, 1882, since which time he has been engaged as a Secretary of the National Reform Association, with his residence in Blanchard, Iowa. He married Miss Maggie P. Turner, of Waukesha, Wisconsin, September 17, 1871. His letters are printed in the Church magazines, and papers of the National Reform Association.

SAMUEL MAXWELL GAYLEY:

Son of Andrew and Margaret (Crawford) Gayley. was born in Creevy, County Tyrone, Ireland, June 4, 1802.* His parents were Scotch Presbyterians, from whom he received a strict religious education, and at ten years of age began a classical course of study with the ministry in view. In 1814, he lost his father by death, which event so frustrated his plans for the ministry that he abandoned that idea and commenced the study of medicine with Dr. Samuel Snodgrass of Castlederg. He remained in this study over a year; in the meantime losing his devoted mother by death, his mind was again turned to the ministry, and he resumed his classical studies under the direction of the Rev. Andrew Maxwell, where he remained over two years. He came to America in May, 1823, and landed in the city of Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, an absolute stranger. He connected with the Covenanter Church, soon afterwards began the study of theology in the Philadelphia Seminary, and was licensed by the Philadelphia Presbytery, April 4, 1828. He labored for some time as stated supply at Conococheague, Pottsville and Mauch Chunk, in Eastern Pennsylvania. In 1831, he repaired to

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