

SKETCHES OF THE MINISTERS

Of the

REFORMED PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

OF NORTH AMERICA

From 1888 to 1930

With supplemental sketches of ministers living in 1888 whose records were carried forward in Glasgow's History up to that date; together with sketches of the institutions, missions and organizations of the Church, and lists of missionaries who have served the Church during this period; containing also 42 portraits of Moderators of Synod besides the cuts of the institutions of the Church; also lists of Presbyteries and Congregations together with the dates of organization and disorganization of the same during the period covered by this volume.



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fore he received licensure. Part of his life was spent in Cedarville, Ohio, at the old home, but his later years were spent in Northwood, Ohio, near the old college building where he had attended when a young man. Though he was never ordained to the Gospel Ministry he was active in church work and ever had the advancement of the Kingdom in his heart. He departed from this life at Belle Center, Ohio, September 22, 1927.

HENRY HOSICK GEORGE, D. D.

H. H. GEORGE, whose historical sketch was left off in Glasgow's History with the year 1888, was in that year continuing to fill the office of President of Geneva College at Beaver Falls, Pennsylvania. He continued in this relation until the year 1890 with great effectiveness, exerting a powerful influence in the lives of the students. In the year 1890 he gave up his work in the College and took up work in the American Sabbath Union which he followed until the year 1894. On April 3, 1894, he was installed pastor of the East End Reformed Presbyterian Church in East End, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania. On August 9, 1895, he was released from this charge to accept the Field Secretaryship of the National Reform Association, which position he continued to fill for the next 19 years, or until the time of his death, which occurred at Beaver Falls, Pennsylvania, March 25, 1914. This date marked the close of a long life and a great life. Dr. George had been in the ministry for 57 years and the influence of his character and life will live on in the many lives and institutions and movements that felt the power of his personality and of

his strong faith. As National Field Secretary of the National Reform Association he carried the message of this organization to all parts of the country. He lived to see two World Conferences, in the last of which he delivered a powerful message before a throng of almost 20,000 people. This was one of the last public appearances that he made in the service. Although he was a reformer above everything else, yet he continued to the end of life to show an increasing interest in the broader work of the Kingdom which included along with the reform movement, the work of Missions at home and abroad and the great movement for the evangelization of all men and all races. On February 18, 1897, he married a second time. Ella (Martin) George, the companion of his latter years, was indeed a helpmeet for a great and kindred soul. She not only marched side by side with her companion, but has continued his great projects for reform through these more than fifteen years since his death.

ROBERT JAMES GEORGE, D. D.

R. J. GEORGE, whose biographical sketch was carried forward in Glasgow's History to the year 1888, was, at the time of the publishing of that volume, pastor of the First Beaver Falls, Pennsylvania, congregation of the Reformed Presbyterian Church. The year previous he had been elected professor of Systematic Theology in the Seminary in Allegheny, but had declined the call and remained with his congregation. In 1891 he was appointed by the Seminary Board to fill the vacancy left by the death of Dr. Sproull and in 1892 was elected professor by the Synod and became successor to Dr. J. K. McClurkin. This call