# 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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THE REV. OWEN F. THOMPSON

Pastor of the Blanchard Congregation

Blanchard, Iowa



THE REV. THOMAS M. SLATER, D. D. Elected Moderator of Synod in the year 1921 In the Eighth Street R. P. Church Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania

sylvania, and completed his theological studies in the spring He was licensed to preach the Gospel by Pittsburgh Presbytery April 12, 1898. He was ordained to the Gospel Ministry by Ohio Presbytery May 25, 1899, at White Cottage, Ohio, and installed pastor of the Jonathan's Creek congregation on the same date. He was released from Jonathan's Creek May 26, 1905, and installed pastor of the Brooklyn, New York, congregation July 5, 1905. He was released from Brooklyn March 24, 1910, and installed pastor of the Geneva congregation at Beaver Falls, Pennsylvania, May 10, 1910, where he is in charge. He has served on various committees and boards of the Church. these are the Witness Committee, the Board of Foreign Missions, the Central Board of Missions, the Board of Trustees of Geneva College. In 1924 he was honored with the degree of Doctor of Divinity by Geneva College, his Alma Mater. On November 29, 1899, he was united in marriage with Margaret Elizabeth Culbertson. They have four children: Margaret E., Paul R., Maude G. and Dorothy E.

#### THOMAS MELVILLE SLATER, D. D.

T. M. SLATER, son of Thomas and Christianna Jane (Thompson) Slater, was born in Washington County, Pennsylvania, April 19, 1869. His parents lived most of their lives in the Miller's Run congregation, and died in Wilkinsburg, Pennsylvania. The subject of this sketch was baptized in the Miller's Run Church, and united with this same Reformed Presbyterian congregation under the pastorate of the Rev. William Slater. He attended the Common Schools and Jefferson Academy, Canonsburg, Pennsylvania,

graduating from the same May 26, 1892. He was Valedictorian of his class. He entered the Reformed Presbyterian Seminary in Allegheny (now North Side Pittsburgh). Pennsylvania, in September, 1893, and completed his studies in that institution in March, 1897. He was licensed to preach the Gospel by Pittsburgh Presbytery in the Geneva College Chapel April 14, 1896. He was ordained to the Gospel Ministry by New York Presbytery May 20, 1897, at Bovina, New York, and at the same time installed pastor of the Covenanter congregation of that place. He was released from Bovina May 27, 1904, and installed pastor of the Seattle, Washington, congregation September 1, 1904. After seventeen years of effective service in this city he was released on November 2, 1921, and installed pastor of the Montclair, New Jersey, congregation December 1, 1921, where he is in charge. He is a member of the Board of Foreign Missions, the Board of Church Erection, and the Board of Trustees of Geneva College. He was President of the Washington Anti-Secret Organization. He was Moderator of Synod in 1921, meeting in the Eighth Street, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, Reformed Presbyterian Church. was honored with the degree of Doctor of Divinity by Geneva College, his Alma Mater. On October 5, 1898, he was united in marriage with Anna Belle Hunter at Sterling Valley, New York. They have three children: John H., Mary E. and T. M., Jr.

### WILLIAM SLATER

WILLIAM SLATER, the greater part of whose life is covered by a sketch appearing in Glasgow's History, was ordained and installed pastor of the Miller's Run congrega-