

COVENANTER MINISTERS

1930-1963

of the

REFORMED PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

OF NORTH AMERICA

This volume is a successor to Thompson's *Sketches of the Ministers*, published in 1930. It contains supplemental sketches of ministers who were living in 1930 and of those who were called into service later. Some of these have entered into rest, while others have either retired or continue their ministry. The appendix includes a short list of those who left the communion of the Reformed Presbyterian Church. The latter pages are composed of accounts of institutions and projects of the church and include lists of missionaries who served in the period from 1930-1963. Pictures of moderators and of our institutions are given. For historical reference there are contained herein lists of Presbyteries and of Congregations, with dates of organization and disorganization during this same period.

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Thompson's **Sketches of the Ministers** up to the year 1930, when that volume was published, was at that time the pastor of the Geneva congregation at Beaver Falls, Pennsylvania. On July 1, 1937, he was released from this charge at his own request. The last three years of his life he served as stated supply for the Princeton, Indiana congregation. He passed away on February 19, 1941.

Dr. Slater was elected Moderator of Synod in 1935. He was a close student of the Word of God, a forceful preacher of the Gospel, a good pastor. Near the end of his last illness he told a fellow minister, "The Christ I have preached all through the years is sufficient now. His grace is with me."

THOMAS MELVILLE SLATER, D. D.

T. M. Slater, whose biographical sketch appears in Thompson's **Sketches of the Ministers** up to the year 1930, when that volume was published, was in that year serving as pastor of the Montclair, New Jersey congregation. He was released from this pastorate on October 17, 1944, and retired from the active ministry. As a preacher of the Gospel, Dr. Slater ranked high. His sermons were prepared with great care, and were the product of diligent meditation. As a pastor he was a faithful and devoted undershepherd.

He departed to be with Christ on June 5, 1951.

ALVIN WOODROW SMITH, D. D.

A. W. Smith, the earlier years of whose biographical sketch are given in Thompson's **Sketches of the Ministers**, was in 1930, when that book was published, pastor of our church at Barnet, Vermont. He served there for eleven years. Four additional children were born there: Kenneth