



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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pastor of the Old Bethel congregation, Sparta, Randolph County, Illinois, October 13, 1869. He connected with the United Presbyterian Church, being received by the Southern Illinois Presbytery, August 6, 1870. He was installed pastor of the congregation of Sparta, Illinois, September 11, 1870, and resigned August 14, 1877. He was installed pastor of the Charles Street congregation, New York City, New York, August 30, 1877, and resigned June 16, 1879. He was installed pastor of the congregation of Jordan's Grove, Randolph County, Illinois, December 16, 1879, and resigned October 24, 1882. He was installed pastor of the Union congregation, Sparta, Illinois, January 18, 1883, and resigned May 31, 1886. He took charge of a Mission enterprise in Leavenworth, Kansas, June 5, 1886, and is Chaplain of the National Home for Disabled Volunteer Soldiers. He married Miss Jennie Wier, of Sparta, Illinois, October 1, 1872.

WILLIAM MELANCTHON GLASGOW :

Son of Moses T. and Martha W. (Thompson) Glasgow, was born in Northwood, Logan County, Ohio, July 1, 1856. The following year his parents removed to Belle Centre, Ohio, where he received his early education in the public schools. In March, 1872, he was employed in connection with the *Cincinnati Daily Star*, and, in 1874, was agent and reporter for the same paper in Dayton, Ohio. He resumed his studies in Geneva College, where he graduated in 1880, and was employed in Boston, Massachusetts, for two years. He studied theology in the Allegheny Seminary, was licensed by the Pittsburgh Presbytery, April 9, 1884,

and made a tour of the British Maritime Provinces. He was ordained by the Philadelphia Presbytery, and installed pastor of the congregation of Baltimore, Maryland, November 26, 1885, where he is in charge. He was an editor of the *College Cabinet* two years, beginning with its establishment in 1878. He published the "History of the Reformed Presbyterian Church in America," 1888.

DAVID GRAHAM:

Son of Thomas and Mary (De Witt) Graham, was born in Coleraine, County Londonderry, Ireland, September 8, 1779.* He received his preparatory literary course in the schools of his native County, and graduated from the University of Glasgow, Scotland, in 1799. He studied theology in the Seminary of Paisley, Scotland, and was licensed by the Reformed Presbytery of Ireland, March 9, 1804. He was ordained by the same court, and installed pastor of the congregation of Magherafelt, County Londonderry, Ireland, October 16, 1805. Becoming embarrassed in some worldly affairs he went to London, England, in 1807, and during his absence in that city he was deposed from the ministerial office, by the Reformed Presbytery of Ireland, for abandoning his charge and for mistreating his people.† He came to America, February 8, 1808, and settled in the city of New York, New York, where he was engaged as a teacher of the languages. He made application for admittance into the Covenanter Church and for the exercise of his ministerial functions. After a full con-

* Principal items from his son, Hon. John Graham, New York City.

† Minutes of Synod, 1809, p. 33.