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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WILLIAM MELANCTHON GLASGOW, D. D.

W. M. Glasgow, who was the author of the well known volume Glasgow's History, as it is familiarly called, or "History of the Reformed Presbyterian Church in America," is among the ministers whose biographical sketch appears there. That volume being published in the year 1888, he was at that time pastor of the Baltimore, Maryland, congregation, having been installed November 26, 1885. He was released from Baltimore June 25, 1889, and went west to Kansas City, Missouri, where he labored as Stated Supply for some time with the greatest success. Having received a call from the Beaver Falls, Pennsylvania, congregation he accepted the same, and on October 11, 1893, was installed pastor of that congregation. He was released from Beaver Falls October 10, 1899. Following this he left the communion of the Reformed Presbyterian Church and entered the United Presbyterian Church. Later he affiliated with the Presbyterian Church. He was of a fine build and with a dignified bearing, a good speaker and especially gifted as a historian and biographer. He was the author of the "History of the Reformed Presbyterian

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Church," "Manual of the United Presbyterian Church," "The Geneva Book," and "The Seminary Catalogue," "Register of Franklin College," and other works. He received the honorary degree of Doctor of Divinity from Franklin College, Athens, Ohio. After leaving the Peformed Presbyterian Church he was pastor of a United Presbyterian Church in Wellsville, Ohio, and later of a Presbyterian Church in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. He died in this city in the year 1911, at the age of 51 years, after a short illness. On December 20, 1888, he was united in marriage with Elizabeth Mullen at Baltimore, Maryland. The wife and two daughters lived to mourn his departure. The daughters' names are Miriam O. and Genevieve M.

JOHN GRAHAM

JOHN GRAHAM, whose biographical sketch is carried forward in Glasgow's History to the year 1888, when that volume was published, was in that year in charge of the Reformed Presbyterian congregation of Rochester, New York. On February 20, 1889, he was released from this charge and certified to the Philadelphia Presbytery. Soon after this he left the Reformed Presbyterian Church and affiliated with the Reformed Presbyterian (G. S.) Church and became the pastor of the First Church of this body in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. In December, 1892, he accepted a call from Westminster Presbyterian Church of Allegheny, Pennsylvania, (now North Side Pittsburgh). In May, 1896, he left Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, and came to Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, where he organized the East Park Presbyterian Church and continued as their pastor until June, 1910. The First Presbyterian Church of Paoli,