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Walk about Zion, and go round about her: tell the towers thereof. Mark ye well her bulwarks, consider her palaces, that ye may tell it to the generation following—PSALM XLVIII, 12, 13.

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Hastings, Prof. Fulton W., was ordained a ruling elder in the Princeton Presbyterian Church, West Philadelphia, in 1861, and has since discharged the duties of this position with great fidelity and acceptableness. He has also been, for many years, the efficient Superintendent of the Sabbath School of that congregation. Prof. Hastings was born in Muskingum county, O., September 30th, 1828. He was educated at West Alexander Academy, and subsequently took a course of private instruction, with a view to a special and thorough preparation as a teacher. After teaching with marked success at West Alexander and Wilkingsburg, Pa., in 1859 he organized Mantua Academy, in West Philadelphia, which he has since conducted with signal ability and success. He was a member of the Presbyterian Board of Publication for many years previous to the reunion of the two branches of the Presbyterian Church; was active in the establishment of the Presbyterian Hospital, of which he continues to be a valuable Director, and since 1872 has been a faithful member of the Presbyterian Board of Publication. He is a gentleman of urbanity and dignity of manner, full of energy, generous in disposition, exemplary in character, and always ready to do good, as he has opportunity.

Hastings, Thomas, son of Dr. Seth Hastings, physician and farmer, was born in Washington, Litchfield county, Conn., Oct. 15th, 1784. The family, with a company of neighbors, moved to Clinton, Oneida county, N. Y., in 1796. He early began the study of music, a sixpenny gamut of four pages being his first text-book. After teaching music for some years in central and western New York, in the Autumn of 1823 he accepted the editorial chair of the *Recorder*, a new religious newspaper published in Utica, and filled it until the issue of the ninth volume. He was no routine teacher of sacred music, neither did he practice his profession merely from a love of music, or as a means of support, and less still for the sake of distinction and gain. He was a reformer in it, and had a distinct idea of what sacred music is, and of the mode in which it should be conducted, and he sought to have it employed for its proper and invaluable purposes.

Mr. Hastings became a prolific writer for the press, particularly in the advocacy of his professional views, setting them forth in the editorials of the *Recorder*, and for a long succession of years in frequent newspaper articles, and in occasional pamphlets. He published various music books of great value. He composed six hundred hymns, many of them published, and not a few well known and prized, such as "Why that look of sadness;" "Gently, Lord, O gently lead us;" "How calm and beautiful the morn;" "Child of sin and sorrow;" "Why lament the Christian dying;" "Pilgrims in this vale of sorrow." Mr. Hastings was a devout Christian. He was a diligent student of the Scriptures, was in himself a Concordance, and his own copies of the Word of God form

quite a little library. He died, May 15th, 1872, and to the last retained his habits of study and of work, and a lively interest in the public affairs of the Church and of the world.

Hastings, Thomas S., D. D., is a native of the State of New York, and was born August 28th, 1827. His father, Thomas Hastings, whose sketch immediately precedes, removed to New York city, where the son pursued his early studies. He graduated at Hamilton College, in 1848, and at the Union Theological Seminary, New York, in 1851, and was licensed and ordained by the Fourth Presbytery of New York. For four years, from July, 1852, he was pastor of the Church at Mendham, N. J. In June, 1856, he was called to the pastorate of the West Presbyterian Church in West Forty-second street, New York. In 1865 the congregation took possession of the unique and beautiful church in Forty-second street which they now occupy. As pastor of this church Dr. Hastings labored with great energy, ability and success, until his election to the Professorship in the Union Theological Seminary, New York, which he now fills.

Dr. Hastings is characterized by great amiability of character. He has much warmth and polish of manners, and his address is affable and cheerful. He is respected and admired by all who know him, for his sterling virtues. He is a scholarly and eloquent preacher, clear, vigorous and stable in his style of thought, and showing thorough information in the whole range of theological and literary culture. His sermons are pervaded by an impressive, religious tone. His election to the important position he now occupies indicates the high degree in which he enjoys the confidence and esteem of the Church.

Hatfield, Edwin F., D. D., the son of Oliver S. and Jane (Mann) Hatfield, was born in Elizabethtown, N. J., January 9th, 1807. He graduated at Middlebury College, Vt., in 1829; studied theology at the Seminary in Andover, Mass., 1829-31; was licensed to preach the gospel by the Third Presbytery of New York, October 6th, 1831, and ordained by the same Presbytery at New York, May 14th, 1832. From October, 1831, to February, 1832, he preached at Rockaway, N. J., as an assistant of the Rev. Barnabas King, D. D.; and from March, 1832, to September, 1832, at Orange, N. J., as an assistant of the Rev. Asa R. Hillyer, D. D.; was pastor of the Second Presbyterian Church of St. Louis, Mo., from October, 1832, to February, 1835; of the Seventh Presbyterian Church of New York, from July, 1835, to February, 1856; and of the North Presbyterian Church of New York, from February, 1856, to October, 1863; resigned and retired from the pastoral work on account of loss of health. Remained one year in retirement, when he became special agent of the Union Theological Seminary in New York, December, 1864, and in the following year obtained for the Seminary an endowment of one hundred and fifty thousand dollars. Two

years were then occupied in writing and preparing for the press a "History of Elizabeth, N. J." In May, 1868, he took the place of the Rev. Dr. Kendall, Secretary of the Presbyterian Committee of Home Missions (abroad, for his health), till October, 1868, from which time he was Secretary of the Freedmen's Department of the same Committee. In January, 1870, he again became special agent of the Union Theological Seminary, to raise five hundred thousand dollars, and his labors were crowned with very gratifying success. He was Stated Clerk of the Third Presbytery of New York, since October, 1838, and of the General Assembly, since May, 1846.

Dr. Hatfield's pastoral life was a most active and fruitful one. During his ministry in the Seventh Church in New York, 1536 persons were received into



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the communion of the church, on examination, and 662 by certificate from other churches, and in all other respects the church was greatly strengthened. The same devotedness which he displayed as pastor he carried into the other work which was devolved upon him, and amidst his activities he found time to become the author of a number of valuable works, of which, in addition to the one already mentioned, the principal are, "Universalism as it is," "Memoir of Elishu W. Baldwin, D.D.," and "St. Helena and the Cape of Good Hope." Dr. Hatfield was elected Moderator of the General Assembly which met at Saratoga, N. Y., in 1883, and discharged the duties of the position with marked ability, dignity and acceptableness. He died in September, 1883.

Hawes, Rev. Lowman, was born October 5th, 1825, at Maysville, Ky.; graduated at Centre College, in 1842, with the first honors of his class, and at the Western Theological Seminary, in 1846, when he was licensed by Allegheny Presbytery. He preached for a few months to the Second Presbyterian Church, Baltimore; then for six months in Richmond, Ky., and subsequently in Fort Wayne, Ind. He was pastor of Concord Church, near Pittsburg, Pa., from 1848 to 1850. In 1850 he took charge of the Church at Huntingdon, Pa., where his labors were highly blessed. Subsequently he supplied the Church at Waukeshu, Wis., at the same time officiating as Professor of Languages in Carroll College at that place. He labored a year at Beloit, Wis., with marked success, and then was pastor of the First Church, Madison, Ind., from 1857 until his death, in 1861. In all the relations of life he was consistent and exemplary in the pulpit he was able, earnest and eloquent.

Hawley, Charles, D.D., was the son of Ezra and Mary (Noyes) Hawley, and was born in Catskill, N. Y., August 19th, 1819. When but twelve years old, he united with the Presbyterian Church, of which his father was ruling elder many years. He pursued his preparatory studies for college in Kinderhook Academy and Classical School, Catskill; entered Williams College in 1836, and graduated in 1840 (the day he was twenty-one years old), with the valedictory oration; spent one year, after leaving college, in Catskill, and read law in the office of Hon. James Powers. Turning from the law to the ministry, he entered Union Theological Seminary in New York city in 1841, and graduated in 1844. He was licensed to preach the gospel by the Presbytery of Columbia, in April, 1844, and for three months, from July to September, supplied the pulpit of the American Presbyterian Church, in the city of Montreal, while the pastor, Rev. Caleb Strong, was absent in Europe. In December of the same year he was ordained, by the Second Presbytery of New York, pastor of the Presbyterian Church in New Rochelle, where he remained four years, during which the church was doubled in numbers, and was much strengthened and encouraged, after a long period of feebleness, if not of doubtful existence.

From New Rochelle he was called to the Presbyterian Church in Lyons, N. Y., where he was installed by the Presbytery of Geneva, in November, 1848. Before his coming here, there had been dissension, but the church now became united, and built a new house of worship, nearly twice as large as that before, and his pastorate was one of marked prosperity. From Lyons he was called to the First Presbyterian Church in Auburn, one of the most important churches of central New York, where he was installed November 5th, 1857, and where he still remains, after a ministry of more than a quarter of a century, in which he has had, in a very high degree, the confidence and respect, not only of the churches, but of the whole