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X.

JOHN NEVIN LEWIS.

John Nevin Lewis was born February 23, 1809, at Northumberland, Saratoga County, N. Y. His parents were Samuel and Sarah (Van Valkenburg) Lewis. He was a younger brother of Prof. Tayler Lewis, LL.D., under whose tuition mainly he was prepared for college. He was graduated from Union College, N. Y., in 1832. He experienced conversion while he was a student in college, and united on profession with the Reformed Dutch Church at Union Village, Washington County, N. Y., when he was about twenty-three years of age. After leaving college he spent ten months at Troy, N. Y., in reading law, and for several months studied Hebrew under the guidance of the Rev. Nathan S. S. Beman, D. D. He entered Princeton Seminary in June, 1833, and studied there two years and one term, completing his course with the class of 1835, although he was not regularly graduated. He was licensed by the Presbytery of New Brunswick, April 5, 1835. In the following September he began to serve the church at Fairfield, Herkimer County, N. Y., as stated supply, and continued to do so four years. He was ordained February 9, 1837, at Vernon, N. Y., by the Presbytery of Oneida. In May, 1839, he removed to Truxton, Cortland County, N. Y., and served the church at that place as stated supply until May, 1843. While at Truxton he became quite suddenly afflicted with deafness, which continued with him during the remainder of his life. In May, 1843, he removed to Whitney's Point, Broome County, N. Y. Having accepted a call from the church at Lisle, in the same county, he was installed pastor of that church by the Presbytery of Cortland, August 30, 1843. After a pastorate of eight years he was released from that charge August 12, 1851. In the same year he removed to Lodi, Wis., where he spent the remainder of his days. He soon commenced preaching at Lodi and vicinity; organized the Presbyterian Church at Lodi in 1852, and in 1853 the church at Lowville. Both of these he supplied regularly for five years, when his infirmities so increased that he ceased from regular work. During the years 1851-8 he was a member of the Presbyterian and Congregational Convention, after which he was a member of the Presbytery of Columbus (N. S.). Six years later, he supplied the Lodi church gratuitously for one year, 1863-4, as an aid towards the completion of the church edifice.

The remainder of his life was given chiefly to study and the care of his farm. In January, 1879, he was prostrated by illness, which increased until he died at Lodi, Wis., April 7, 1879, in the seventy-first year of his age. His disease was dropsy, resulting from chronic bronchitis. The last weeks of his life were full of faith and peace.

Mr. Lewis was a man of excellent natural gifts and attainments. He was an eager student, and in regard to all moral and doctrinal subjects had strong and clear convictions. He was a truly devoted, earnest and faithful minister of the Gospel.

Mr. Lewis married, May 9, 1836, Miss Esther Smith Satterlee, daughter of Elias Satterlee, M. D., of Elmira, N. Y. She survived him. He left three sons, and one daughter, who is the wife of the Rev. L. M. Gates.

XI.

ABRAHAM LYNOTT BLOODGOOD.

Abraham Lynott Bloodgood, son of Lynott and Ruth (Dakins) Bloodgood, was born in Albany, N. Y., January 8, 1812. His academic education was received first at Lansingburgh, N. Y., under Alexander McCall, and later at Flushing, N. Y. He first made a public profession of religion in uniting with the Presbyterian Church at Stillwater, N. Y., in his twenty-second year. He was graduated from Union College, N. Y., in 1832, spent the larger part of the next year at his home, entered Princeton Seminary in 1833, and remained there three years; was licensed by the Presbytery of Albany, February 9, 1837, and after supplying for some years the churches of West Galway, Esperance and Rome, N. Y., was ordained and installed pastor of the church at Little Falls, N. Y., February 20, 1844. From this charge he was released March 6, 1845, and was dismissed by the Presbytery, November 20, 1855, to the Congregational Consociation of Connecticut. After spending one year in Europe for his health, and a year (1854-5) at Rochester, N. Y., as a stated supply, he took charge of Enfield Congregational Church in Connecticut, where he was installed December 5, 1855, and labored with much acceptance and success over seven years, until he was released June 9, 1862. Having been attacked with congestion of the brain, he retired in impaired health to Munroe, Mich., where he resided until his death, which occurred