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atory studies were pursued in his native town. He graduated from Princeton College in 1840. Entering the Seminary at Princeton the same year he spent two years there. He was licensed, April 24, 1842, by the East Hanover Presbytery, and ordained, Nov. 6, 1842, by the West Hanover Presbytery. In the fall of 1845 he took the name of his maternal grandfather, who had no son and wished his name perpetuated. Dr. Mitchell served the following churches: pastor at Bethany, Va., Nov. 6, 1842-Dec. 12, 1850; at Greensboro, Ala., 1850-59; of Second Church of Mobile, Ala., 1859-68; was without charge, 1869-71; stated supply at Pulaski, Tenn., 1871-73; pastor of the First Church, Columbia, Tenn., 1873-88. From this time his health began to fail and he was not able to resume pastoral work. He died, Jan. 15, 1892, at Columbia, Tenn., of neuralgia of the heart, in the 72nd year of his age.

He married, Sept. 9, 1846, Miss Nannie Crenshaw Stokes, a ward of Dr. Nathaniel Venable, who, with four sons and four daughters, survives him.

AUGUSTUS WARD LOOMIS, D.D.,

Son of Seba and Jerusha (Brewster) Loomis, was born, Sept. 4, 1816, in Andover, Hartford Co., Conn. He united with the Second Presbyterian Church of Albany, N. Y., at the age of sixteen. His preparatory studies were pursued at the Oneida Conference Seminary of Cazenovia, N. Y., under the Rev. Geo. Peck, D.D. He entered the sophomore class of Hamilton College and graduated from that institution in 1841; entered the Seminary at Princeton the same year, took the full course, graduating in 1844. During the summer vacation of 1842 he taught in the public school of Greenville, N. J. He was licensed, Oct. 11, 1843, by the Presbytery of Albany, at Troy, N. Y., ordained by the same body, May 16, 1844, at Albany. With three of his classmates he was appointed by the A. B. C. F. M. as a missionary to China, although he had offered himself for Africa. On June 22, 1844, he sailed for his foreign field of labor. For four months he studied the Chinese language in Macao, and then settled in Chusan for a year and a half, conducting a

school for boys and preaching to English residents and other foreigners. Then he went to Ningpo where he labored until failing health necessitated his return to America in 1850. He engaged in missionary work among the Creek Indians at Kowetah, 1852-53; was stated supply of the church at St. Charles, Mo., 1853-55, and of the churches of Lower Rock Island, Edwards and Millersburg, Ill., 1855-59. In 1859, in response to an urgent appeal, he began his missionary work among the Chinese of California, with which his name will be permanently associated. He organized churches, sunday-schools, and evening schools, and trained colporteurs and teachers, these latter for the Sandwich Islands and even for China, sending back his influence to the country to whose evangelization he had dedicated his life. After thirty-two years of toil among the Chinese of California, he died, July 26, 1891, in San Mateo, of heart failure, in the 75th year of his age. Dr. Loomis published: "Learn to Say No," "Scenes in Chusan," "Scenes in the Indian Country," "How to Die Happy," "Profits of Godliness," "The Child a Hundred Years Old," "Confucius and the Chinese Classics," and "English and Chinese Classics." He received the degree of D.D. from Hamilton College in 1873.

He married (1) June 18, 1844, in Clinton, N. Y., Miss Mary Ann Luce, who died in 1867; (2) June 5, 1873, in San Francisco, Cal., Mrs. Mary M. Akers, who survives him. He had no children.

JAMES STEBBINS,

Son of Luther and Mahala (Judd) Stebbins, was born, July 18, 1813, at Caldwell, N. Y. He made a public profession of his faith in the Presbyterian church of his native town at the age of seventeen; pursued his preparatory studies under Rev. Dr. Lyman Coleman in Burr Seminary, Manchester, Vt., and graduated from Union College in 1840. He then taught school for two years at Brainard, N. Y., entering the Seminary at Princeton in 1842, from which he graduated in 1845 after the full three years' course. He was licensed by the Presbytery of New York, April 17, 1845, and ordained as an evangelist, Nov. 3, 1852, by