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88th year of his age. He was buried in the Greenwood Cemetery of Brooklyn. He received the degree of D.D. from Princeton University in 1866, and that of LL.D. from the same institution in 1897. Dr. Cuyler was president of the National Temperance Society and Publishing House from 1882 to 1890. He published a number of books, among them being *Stray Arrows*, *Cedar Christian*, *Pointed Papers*, *Thought Hives*, *How to be a Pastor*, *Nile to Norway*, *The Empty Crib*, *God's Light on Dark Clouds*, *Christianity in the Home*, *Heart Life*, and *Recollections of a Long Life*. In addition, he published some thirty pamphlets and about four thousand articles for the religious press.

He was married March 17, 1853, in Newark, Ohio, to Annie E. Mathiot, who, with one son and one daughter, survives him.

WILLIAM HENRY RUFFNER, LL.D.,

Son of the Rev. Dr. Henry and Sarah Montgomery (Lyle) Ruffner, was born Feb. 11, 1824, in Lexington, Va. He made a public confession of his faith in the Presbyterian church of Lexington, at the age of eighteen. His preparatory studies were pursued in the schools connected with Washington College, Va., and he graduated from Washington College in 1842. He entered Union Seminary of Virginia in 1845, remaining there one year. He entered the Seminary at Princeton in 1846, where he stayed less than a year. He was licensed by the Presbytery of New Brunswick, Feb. 2, 1848, and ordained by the Presbytery of Philadelphia, Jan. 14, 1852. He was stated supply of the church at Charlotte Court House, Va., for a time in 1849, and was chaplain of the University of Virginia from 1849 to 1851. On his ordination he became pastor of the Seventh Church of Philadelphia, Pa., remaining in this charge until April 6, 1853. He supplied the church at Bensalem, Pa., from 1868 to 1869. In 1874, he demitted the ministry on account of throat trouble and nervous disability. He was su-

perintendent of public instruction of Virginia from 1870 to 1882 and principal of the Female Normal School of Farmville, Va., from 1884 to 1887. He engaged in Geological work in Washington Territory, Alabama, North Carolina and several other states from 1887 to 1893. After 1893, he engaged in farming and literary work, residing near Lexington, Va. He died Nov. 24, 1908, in Asheville, N. C., of interstitial nephritis, in the 85th year of his age. He was buried at Lexington, Va. He received the degree of LL.D. from Washington and Lee University in 1880. He published several sermons, eight annual school reports, 1871 to 1878, and many articles in the papers. He also published *Charity and the Clergy*, 1852, and he edited a volume of lectures on the Evidence of Christianity delivered at the University of Virginia in 1850-51 by Presbyterian ministers.

He was married Sept. 3, 1850, at Collicello, Va., to Harriet Anne Gray, who died Oct. 17, 1895. Two daughters survive him.

WILLIAM SIMONTON, D.D.,

Son of William and Martha (Snodgrass) Simonton, was born Sept. 12, 1820, in West Hanover, Pa. He made a public confession of his faith in the Presbyterian church of Derry, Pa., at the age of twenty-one. His preparatory studies were pursued in the Academy at Newark, Del., under Prof. William S. Graham, and he was graduated from Delaware College in 1846. During the next year he was occupied as administrator of his father's estate. Entering the Seminary at Princeton in the fall of 1847, he took the full three years' course there, and graduated in 1850. He was licensed by the Presbytery of Carlisle June 12, 1849, and ordained by the Presbytery of Northumberland, May 20, 1851. He was stated supply of the churches of Northumberland and Sunbury, Pa., from September, 1850, until installed their pastor at the time of his ordination. He was released from this double charge Oct. 3, 1854. He was