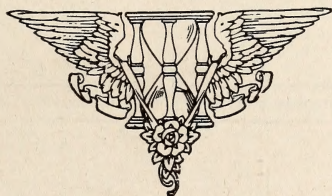


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WITH APPENDIX

Dr. Matthews was a bright, attractive man, full of fun and humor with a genial disposition and gathered around him a host of friends and admirers. He was quite a scholar, student and an able preacher. His life was a joyous one that was shared with others, his faith was simple and sincere, he was happy in his work with his loved ones when he slipped away to be with his Master.

We shall all miss him at the meetings of our Synod and Church Courts.

REV. W. P. McCORKLE

The Rev. William P. McCorkle died at his home in Burlington, N. C., on March 7, 1933, after an illness of several weeks. He was the second son of Rev. Alexander B. McCorkle and Lucilla Cambol McCorkle, and was born in Talladega, Ala. Through his great-grandmother, Rebecca McNutt, he was related to the Glasgow and McCorkle families of Virginia.

While Dr. McCorkle, as he was perhaps better known, never received the honorary degree of Doctor of Divinity from an educational institution, this degree was conferred upon him by those who knew him and his work. He received his early training at private schools in Alabama, and entered Washington and Lee University the year that General Lee died. There he distinguished himself as a student and was awarded the Santini medal. After leaving the University, he taught at Middlebrook, and at the Wesleyan Female Institute, once a famous school for girls in Staunton, Va. Later he taught in Lenoir, N. C.

His teaching career was not to be continued for God had other plans for his life, and so at a meeting of the Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, held in Salisbury, he was received into the Conference and assigned work in Beaufort, N. C., later serving at La Grange and Elkin in the same State. During this time he married Miss Lutie Andrews of Charlotte, N. C., the noted writer. His next work was in El Paso, Texas, where for four years he did a splendid work.

Feeling the call of the East, he returned to Charlotte, and was received into the Presbyterian ministry, becoming pastor of a small country church near there. Later he was pastor of the Presbyterian Church in Lexington, N. C., Shelby, N. C., where he remained for five years, and Graham, N. C., where he was pastor when the present church auditorium was erected. From Graham he went to Savannah, Ga., from there to Martinsville, Va., and then to the Piedmont, Shiloh and Elmira group of churches in Burlington, N. C., and was pastor when the present church at Shiloh was built. Several years ago he retired from the active work of the ministry and was made pastor-at-large by the Presbytery of Orange in the Synod of North Carolina.

After retirement from the active ministry, Dr. McCorkle continued to serve the Church through his magazine and newspaper articles, and was a frequent contributor to the leading newspapers of North Carolina on timely subjects. His articles exposing the evils of modernism and materialism in the Church were especially

helpful and effective. In addition he was the author of an important book, "Christian Science of the False Christ of 1866," published in 1904.

A number of years ago he contributed a series of articles on Calvinism in the Southern Presbyterian Review, and his last article in the Union Seminary Review was "Popular Errors as to Inspiration." He wrote also a number of articles dealing with evolution and the anti-Christian sociology as taught in several of the universities.

He died in his seventy-ninth year, and in his death, the Southern Presbyterian Church, the Synod of North Carolina, and Orange Presbytery have lost an outstanding champion of the faith once delivered to the Saints.

REV. ISAAC STUART McELROY, D.D.

1853—1931

Isaac Stuart McElroy was born in Marion County, Lebanon, Kentucky, July 30, 1853. He was a descendant of staunch Presbyterian ancestors. At eleven years of age he assumed the vows of church membership. In July, 1869, he moved with his father's family to Newton, Missouri, where he taught school for three years, during which time he was studying law with a view to making that his chosen profession. Soon God called him into the gospel ministry. He returned to his native State, to Danville, Ky., in January, 1873, and at Danville Collegiate Institute began to prepare himself to fulfill God's plan for his life. In April, 1874, at Perryville, he was received under the care of Transylvania Presbytery. For the next three years he was professor in Danville Classical and Military Academy, and during this period studied Hebrew and Theology under Rev. William F. Junkin, D.D. Along with Rev. Russell Cecil, D.D., April, 1876, he was licensed to preach the gospel. He studied one year in Union Theological Seminary in Virginia, finishing with the class of 1878. With four others of his Seminary class he volunteered for service on the foreign field. But lack of funds prevented his going at the required time.

In May, 1878, Keytesville and Brunswick churches in Missouri extended a call to Rev. Isaac Stuart McElroy. He declined the call but served the churches as stated supply for an indefinite period. In Augusta Church, September, 1878, the Presbytery of Missouri ordained him as an evangelist, in which capacity he served for more than two years. From October, 1880, to October, 1884, he was pastor at Stanford, Ky., supplying also Perryville and Hustonville. While in this pastorate, November 16, 1880, Rev. I. S. McElroy married Miss Annie Lee, daughter of Judge George F. Lee of Danville, Ky. With all members of the family present this happy couple celebrated their golden wedding in the fall of 1930.

In November, 1884, Rev. Isaac Stuart McElroy became pastor of Mt. Sterling, Kentucky. At the close of this pastorate, for a little more than one year, he was financial agent for Central University. Having manifested marked ability to raise money, the Synod of Kentucky, April, 1890, called him to secure an endowment