



HISTORY

OF THE

Reformed Presbyterian Church

IN

AMERICA:

WITH SKETCHES OF ALL HER MINISTRY, CONGREGATIONS,  
MISSIONS, INSTITUTIONS, PUBLICATIONS, Etc.,  
AND EMBELLISHED WITH OVER  
FIFTY PORTRAITS AND  
ENGRAVINGS.

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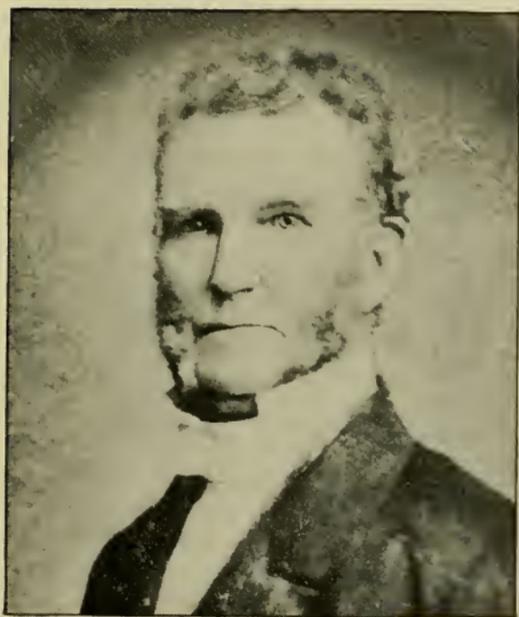
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hearts of the pastor and people were closely knit together in Christian love, and in his untimely death the congregation lost an endeared pastor, and the Church a most devoted and able minister of the gospel. At the time of his death he was a member of the Board of Foreign Missions.

SAMUEL WYLIE CRAWFORD, D. D. :

Son of Nathan and Margaret (Wylie) Crawford, was born in the Chester District, South Carolina, October 14, 1792. His parents were from Scotland and died when he was quite young. In 1800, he was brought by his uncle, the Rev. S. B. Wylie, D. D., to the city of Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, where he received his education in the public schools and the University of Pennsylvania. In 1814, he began the study of medicine, but in a short time abandoned it for that of theology. He studied theology in the Philadelphia Seminary, and was licensed by the Middle Presbytery, April 10, 1818. He preached with general acceptance in the vacancies in the eastern part of the Church, and also to the inmates of the Walnut street Prison, Eastern Penitentiary and House of Refuge in the city of Philadelphia. He was ordained *sine titulo* by the Northern Presbytery, at Duaneburgh, New York, May 15, 1823, and was installed pastor of the Conococheague congregation, Chambersburgh, Franklin County, Pennsylvania, August 26, 1824. He soon afterwards became Principal of the Chambersburgh Academy, where he remained until April 10, 1831, when he resigned both congregation and school, and accepted the position of Principal of the Academical



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Department of the University of Pennsylvania. At the division of the Church in August, 1833, he became identified with the New School branch of the Covenanter Church. In 1835, he was installed pastor of the Fairmount congregation of that body, in the suburbs of Philadelphia, and resigned this pastorate in 1846. He was installed pastor of the Fourth congregation of Philadelphia, August 17, 1848, and resigned October 11, 1856, on account of impaired health. For some time he was a teacher of theology in the Philadelphia Seminary, supplied vacant pulpits, and during the war of the rebellion was a chaplain in the army. In 1868, he retired to his country home near Chambersburgh, Pennsylvania, and where he died, June 12, 1876. He possessed a splendid physique, of a military bearing, and made an imposing appearance in the pulpit. He was a man of scholarly attainments and an earnest evangelical preacher of the gospel. He was distinguished as a philanthropist and abounded in deeds of charity. He was highly appreciated in all the educational and pastoral charges which he held, and was an influential member of Church courts. He married Miss Jane Agnew, of New York City, New York, August 28, 1821. Among his publications is a sermon on "Creeds and Confessions," 1826, pp. 44. He was honored with the degree of Doctor of Divinity by the University of Indiana in 1844. He was Moderator of the Synod of 1831, and the General Synod of 1863.

ALFRED DEAN CROWE:

Son of Samuel and Mary (Dean) Crowe, was born near Glade Mills, Butler County, Pennsylvania, Decem-