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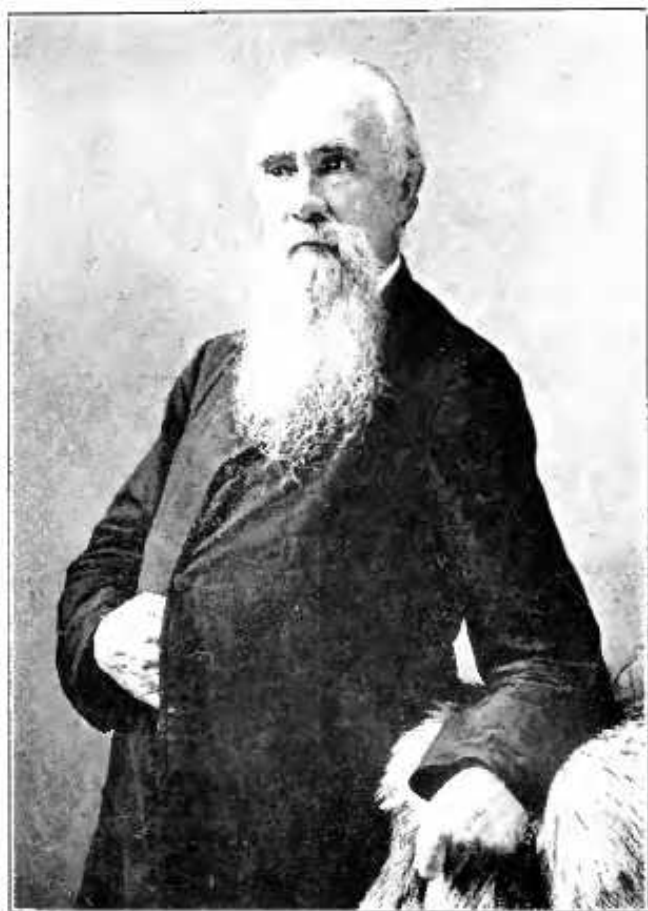
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AN APPRECIATION.

THROUGH his masterpiece and best monument, "The Days of Makemie," published by the Presbyterian Board of Publication in 1885, Dr. Bowen created a new interest in Rev. Francis Makemie, the chief founder of the Presbyterian Church in America, and thereby started the movement which resulted in the erection twenty-three years later (1903) of the splendid granite monument to Makemie, in Accomac County, Virginia. Material for this book was gathered through much labor and skill from many original sources in this country and abroad, and much of it was obtained from the ancient court records of the lower Eastern Shore counties of Maryland and Virginia. Dr. Bowen thus acquired at first hands an intimate knowledge of much of the history of these parts of the Eastern Shore during the days thereof of Makemie (1683-1708), and so greatly did it interest him and seem worth while that he also then gathered from these old Eastern Shore records and elsewhere much further data concerning the late Colonial and Revolutionary War period (1708-1815) which he has effectively used in other publications and more of which is already in manuscript and could yet be published under some title as "The Blue Bell of Rehoboth."

After his researches above, made when he was pastor of certain of the Makemie churches in that part of the Eastern Shore, Dr. Bowen returned to pastoral work in the West and far South, and when he had done much further ministerial and literary work there and was retiring from his labors and enjoying in his old age a well-deserved rest, was recalled in 1908 to resume his work in the Old Mother Church at Rehoboth, Maryland, not far from the Makemie Monument. Since this last return to the Eastern Shore, he delivered in 1908 the chief address at the dedication of the Makemie Monument, and also in 1909 delivered the chief address at the dedication in the upper part of Worcester County, Maryland, of a Monument to Colonel John Postley, the first to leave a permanent endowment fund for the cause of public education in that county. Dr. Bowen has of late in addition to these two notable addresses, written sometimes seriously but more often for his own amusement and that of certain of his friends, many verses concerning Makemie and his early churches and of certain people and events in this part of the Eastern Shore. Many of these verses have been published in the newspapers.

At some of the High Schools in this section there have been lately established permanently endowed prizes known as "The Old Home Prizes," given each year to that member of the graduating class in each school who writes the best essay on some topic pertaining to the past, present or future of the Maryland, Delaware and Virginia Peninsula, commonly known as "The Eastern