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Breface.

In regard to the Memoir of Dr. Irvine, in its present form, a few words in brief explanation are perhaps desirable.

The Medical Association of Georgia is the representative body of the Profession in the State. By a time-honored observance—the custom of recording the deaths of the members in elegiac memoirs, more or less extended—it became the duty of the Necrological Committee to furnish a record of the death of Dr. Irvine, as a member of the Association. This memoir the Committee requested the writer—as an intimate friend of Dr. Irvine, and an elder of the First Presbyterian Church—to prepare for the then forthcoming volume of the Transactions. The discussion was necessarily restricted to points in the medical and ministerial life of the subject; and this will account for much that has been omitted in the present record of his life and character.

The presentation of the Memoir in its present separate form, with the addition of the Appendix, is in response to the wishes of those who desired such a memorial of their beloved Pastor, and to give a somewhat further record of the grief and high appreciation manifested at his death.

HENRY F. CAMPBELL.

Augusta, Georgia, April, 1882.

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In Memory of
REV. ROBERT IRVINE, D.D.,
FOR OVER TEN YEARS
THE BELOVED AND FAITHFUL
PASTOR OF THIS CHURCH.
BORN IN COUNTY DOWN,
IRELAND,
SEPTEMBER 15TH, 1814;
FINISHED HIS CHRISTIAN MINISTRY,
IN THE SERVICE OF THIS PEOPLE,
APRIL 8TH, 1881.

"Blessed is the man that trusteth in the Lord."

Erected as a Tributz or Affection by the Sewing Society and Ladies of the Congregation.

The Inscription was prepared by Dr. A. SIRLEX CAMPBELL, Descon of the First Presbyterian Church.

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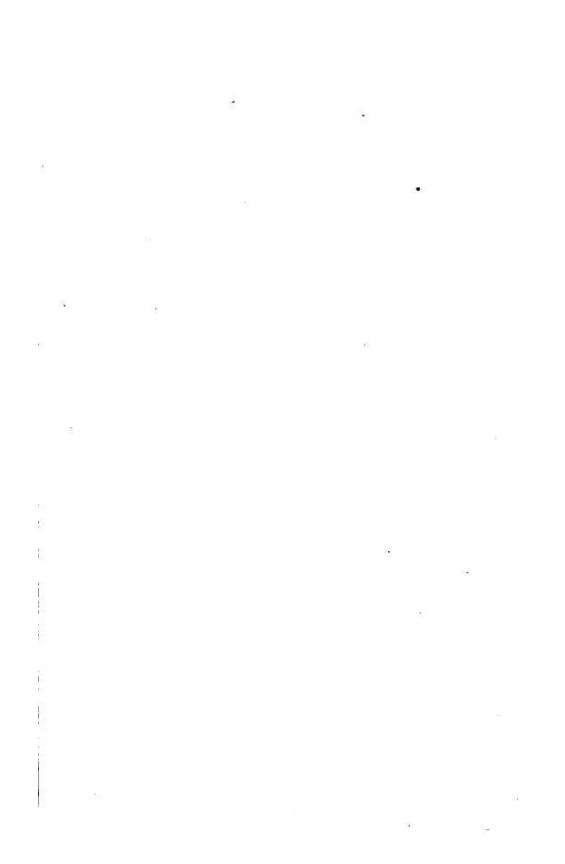
Mrs. Thomas P. Branch, of Augusta, and to

Lieutenant Robert 3. C. Irvine, U. S. A., This

Memorial of the Medical and Ministerial Life

Of their Beloved Father,
Is most affectionately inscribed,
By their Friend,

The Author.





P. Irvine.

IN MEMORIAM.

ROBERT IRVINE, D.D., M.D,

" AND LUKE, THE BELOVED PHYSICIAN."

In the archives of medical biography are to be found many illustrious examples of distinguished men, claimed by us with pride while living and honored after death, whose lives had been devoted to other pursuits, and the record of whose chief prominence and usefulness had been made in other paths than those of the Healing Art.

Both from the living and the dead many honored names rise now to our memory, like witnesses coming forward to testify to the truth of this assertion:—Oliver Wendell Holmes, the poet, and the philosopher as well, of every household; J. G. Holland, the author of "Kathrina," and one of the leading litterateurs of the present time,—besides many others in both belies-lettres and science,—were each of them early devoted to medicine. They gained their first sturdiness in her nursery, each learning to soar on wings of inspiration that had been plumed in the nest of his medical Alma Mater.

But, as more pertinent to this occasion, and as an instance familiar to the present auditory, let us refer to one who long ago went out from our very midst—from the