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INTRODUCTION.

THE following Memoir of the life and character of the late ALONZO CRITTENDEN, Ph.D., is published under the auspices of the Board of Trustees of the Packer Collegiate Institute, of which till the time of his death he was the honored Principal.

It has been the primal aim of its Author to present to the reader a true likeness of this excellent man, just as he stood, day by day, for sixty years, before teachers and scholars, an animating and inspiring presence, commanding the respect of all as a faithful guardian, guide, and friend.

To hundreds and thousands of those who have been associated with him in a work which he so much loved, or have profited by his instructions in the several Institutions over which he presided, such an aid to memory as this book affords must possess an abiding interest.

In calling to recollection the traits of character that distinguished Doctor CRITTENDEN in his educational life, the testimony of those who were co-workers with him has been freely supplied: while others whom he led in the paths of knowledge bear concurrent witness to the vigilance and vigor of his administration, and to the happy impress made upon the heart by the high moral purpose which he steadfastly enforced.

In the course of the following narrative the felicities of his home—a home that divided with the school the affections of his warm and loving heart—are brought conspicuously to view, as well as the beautiful hospitality that characterized his rural retirement.

For him the country had many charms, and his love of nature and his love of friends combined to make his hospitality delightful to all who were privileged to visit him.

This interesting volume closes with the words of culogy so happily spoken by the various clergymen of our own and the neighboring city, and with appropriate resolutions adopted by Boards of Trustees, of this and other Institutions, at the time of his death.

A. A. Low,

President of the Board of Trustees.

BROOKLYN, March 10, 1855.

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