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PREFATORY NOTICE.

This Discourse is published in accordance with a vote of the Alumni of Dummer Academy, passed at their meeting, August 12, 1868. In the hope of imparting to it greater value as a historical and biographical document, I attempted to make a list of those who were members of the school, during, at least, the first three quarters of the century, with such brief notices of the more distinguished, as I might be able to give. This idea, after considerable labor and correspondence, I was compelled to relinquish, from the extent of the task, and the trouble which I experienced in getting the needed information. Just then other engagements intervened, and hence the delay in giving this performance to the press. If anything has been lost by the fading out of that ephemeral interest which springs from the excitements of a great occasion, the deficiencies will, I hope, be more than made up by the increased thoroughness and completeness of what is presented.

Those who were present at the solemnity will find much that was prepared, but omitted for want of time, and may perceive that some portions of what they did hear have been modified and re-arranged, — but will discover, as I trust, no alteration or addition which impairs the real and permanent value of this historical memorial.

To the MEMORY of the GREAT and the GOOD now gone, whose names are associated with the SCHOOL;—its FOUNDER, its INSTRUCTORS, OVERSEERS and PUPILS; to the present BOARD OF TRUSTEES and the whole body of living ALUMNI;—and to all, who, in time to come, shall hold similar relations to DUMMER ACADEMY;—I here dedicate the first chapter in its history.

TOPSFIELD, January, 1865. N. C.

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Page 12. For Ralle read Rale.
13. " Burnett " Burnet.
18. 7th line, after "Willards" omit "and"—after "Savages" insert "and others."
34. For "(5)" read "(6)".
35. " "(6)" " "(7)".
39. In heading, for "Benjamin Allen" read "Isaac Smith."
56. 17th line, for "Rutger's" read Rutgers'.
57. 21st " " "1759" " 1769.
58. 21st " " "be" " he.
59. 2d " before "1785" insert In.
70. 27th " omit "the".
X. 2d " for "Popkins'" read Popkin's.
XII. 30th " for "Niebuh" read Niebuhr.