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Could I have said while he was here,
" My love shall now no further range ;
There cannot come a mellow change,
For now is love mature in ear."

Love then had hope of richer store ;
What end is here to my complaint ?
This haunting whisper makes me faint,
" More years had made me love thee more."

But death returns an answer sweet ;
" My sudden frost was sudden gain,
And gave all ripeness to the grain
It might have drawn from after-heat."



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P R E F A C E .

THE Alumni Association of Toronto Baptist College, at its annual meeting in April 1890, decided to undertake the preparation and publication of a Memoir of Principal McGregor, then recently deceased. It was resolved to raise by subscription such a sum as would, when added to a small amount in the treasury of the Association, defray all the expenses of publication, and to bestow upon Mrs. McGregor the entire proceeds of the sale of the book. For the carrying out of this undertaking two committees were appointed: an Editing Committee, consisting of Professors Newman and Campbell, and a Finance Committee, consisting of Rev. W. C. Weir and Rev. J. L. Gilmour.

After a few months of joint effort on the part of the Finance Committee, the removal of Mr. Weir to a distant Province left the chief financial responsibility on Mr. Gilmour's shoulders. By dint of well directed and persistent effort the needful amount of money has been secured, and arrangements have been made, which, it is expected, will result in the prompt sale of the entire edition. To those who have generously contributed to the publishing fund the thanks of the Association and of the Denomination are due.

As the work of editing was not very burdensome and was scarcely susceptible of advantageous division, most of it naturally devolved upon the first-named member of the committee. Professor Campbell was frequently consulted as to the general features of the book; but he cannot fairly be held responsible for the execution of the editorial task. The committee decided at the outset to adopt the co-operative plan in the preparation of the biographical sketch, as likely to secure the best results, with the least delay and the least expenditure of individual effort. Rev. Malcolm MacGregor, of New York, the eldest brother of Principal McGregor, cheerfully undertook and faithfully, lovingly and ably executed the task of preparing Chapters I. and V. Chapter II. was assigned to Rev. E. W. Dadson, whose long acquaintance with Principal McGregor and his profound admiration for his character enabled him to write sympathetically and intelligently of the period of his life under consideration. Chapter III. was written by Rev. D. G. Macdonald, who as a student came to know and to love Principal McGregor, and as the beloved and efficient pastor of the Stratford church was in a position to judge of his work as a pastor and to exhibit this portion of his life in its true setting and its true light.

To Mrs. McGregor more than to any other individual are any excellencies that the memoir may possess

due. She not only aided in the selection and securing of writers, but she furnished each writer with much valuable material and many valuable suggestions, and carefully examined the various chapters before they were given to the printer. To her also is due the selection of materials for Chapter VI. and the selection for publication of the essays, addresses, sermons, etc., contained in Part II. In an important sense she may be regarded as the Editor of the book.

The work of all, whether in collecting or contributing money, in furnishing materials, in writing, or in editing, has been from first to last a labor of love. That the little book may be a means of keeping fresh in the memory of our Canadian Baptists the life and work of one of the noblest and most Christlike of men, and thus of advancing in some humble measure the kingdom of Christ, is the earnest desire of all who have had to do with its publication.

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