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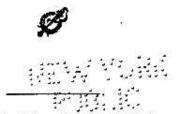
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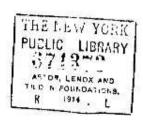
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Kal yap tan döndor sadanya darah öd ris rapasandestrai et nölenesi —I Compermans, xiv. 8

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Virtus Honor Meus,

Ales volat propriis.

-Kendrick Family Mottoes.

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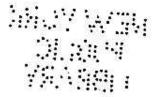
Kin to the best and what may not grow old.
—Thomas S. Jones, Jr.

To the Alumni of Rochester University

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For she remembers how her hand he kept
Within his own, and with her walked afield,
And saw the sunset its last glory yield—
All this comes back to her,
All little things that were,
And every dear Remembrance on her heart
Lays its rich sorrow and its mortal smart—
Too exquisite bereavement to be borne.
—SAMUEL McCov.



PREFACE

It has been justly said of my father that he taught and wrote, not for the immediate and transient, but for the fundamental and permanent—"Not for a day, but for all time." It has not seemed, then, a mistake to postpone the appearance of this brief record of his life and words until some years had passed since his voice became silent. There has been no effort to give details that would resolve themselves, largely, into a rehearsal of days of teaching and nights of study. The object of this book is to suggest him in his varied aspects, as teacher, writer, and student. And, especially, to render accessible some of his utterances on classical education and Scriptural religion.

There never has been a time when on these two subjects convincing words such as his were more needed. Classical study is, except among specialists, at almost its lowest ebby. That the American Society of Philhellenes is making an effort to have the study of Greek replaced in the required curriculum of our colleges is very encouraging, and it is to be hoped that its excellent attempt will meet with a sympathetic response.

The Scriptures, as the guide to faith and practice, are in danger of being set aside for the Sacred books