

man was more generously appreciative of his colleagues than he, and his colleagues were men deserving of appreciation. The native ministry grew up with the educational work to which Dr. Cochran so largely and successfully devoted himself. The personal and evangelistic work of men like Meacham and Eby was bearing its rich fruits, and the Woman's Missionary Society was making its important influences felt. But behind and underneath it all, and co-operating with it all, was the silent but mighty influence of a man whose life and character held up before the nation the ideal of goodness and whom God had, in his providence, so led out into the forefront that the whole nation from the highest classes to the most humble felt and respected his influence. This influence prepared the way for the important advance movements of his administration and he was fortunate in, rather God furnished him with, colleagues each fitted to lead in such movements, Cochran and the College to build a native ministry, Meacham and Eby to reach young men like Ebara, Ando, Nemato, Nakamura, and others who became pillars in the Church. Eby to devise means of reaching the whole land, by sowing the seed at the centre of University life, through the tabernacle to be carried far and wide by the returning student life, and the Woman's Missionary Society to lay the foundations of a new woman's home life for the women of Japan. The greatness of the man who stood at the head, the influence of his life and character, were felt in all this advance, and gave