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THE name of ANDREW MURRAY has been for many years well known throughout South Africa, and later, through his books, there are few names more familiar in the English-speaking world than that of the author of "Abide in Christ."

The father of Andrew Murray came out from Scotland nearly seventy years ago, and became an honored minister of the Dutch Reformed Church at Graaff-Reinet. His work was richly blessed, but his great legacy to South Africa was his family, five of his sons becoming devoted ministers of the Dutch Reformed Church, and four of his daughters ministers' wives, while another daughter is the principal of a large school for girls.

The second son, Andrew, bearing his father's name, was born at Graaff-Reinet May 9, 1828, and it is this Scotch Afrikaner with whom we are now concerned.

When his eldest brother was sent home to Aberdeen to complete his classical studies, Andrew, then only nine years of age, accompanied him. Both brothers became in time students and graduates of Marischal College. Here both the lads drank deeply of the missionary and evangelistic spirit they had already received from their revered father. Here they frequently heard William Burns, afterwards the noble missionary to China, and they caught not a little of his heroic spirit.

After graduation they went to Holland to complete their theological education at the University of Utrecht. Here they were soon the centre of a circle of earnest disciples, and both took an active part in the formation of a Students' Missionary Society.

When the curriculum of Utrecht was finished, they returned to South Africa, the elder brother ultimately becoming a Professor in the Dutch Theological Seminary at Stellenbosch, while the younger, Andrew, was appointed the minister over what is now the Orange Free State. Mr. Murray was only twenty