

and Rev. A. McKnight, Professor of Hebrew. Dr. Smith resigned in 1868 and Dr. King in 1870. The Synod elected Rev. Marcus Dods, of Glasgow, to fill Dr. King's place, but Mr. Dods declined the appointment, and the following year, 1871, Dr. McKnight was transferred to the chair of Theology and Church History, and Rev. John Currie to the chair of Hebrew. In 1875, Dr. Pollok was appointed Professor of Pastoral Theology and Church History, and these three, Drs. McKnight, Currie and Pollok, formed the staff of our Theological Hall till the removal from Gerrish Street in 1878. The Gerrish Street period of our College is one of the most important and interesting in its history. The whole period of nearly thirty years, was one of hard work and great self-denial, alike on the part of the church and the Professors. When Professor King arrived, he found just three students ready to enter the Theological classes, but he set diligently to work and never did any man labour more faithfully in his own professional work or in advancing the interests of a weak, struggling church. He was a man of singular ability and most extensive scholarship. Standing firmly by the old ways, he was yet thoroughly conversant with every phase of opinion throughout the Theological world. He was one of the few men who kept all of his studies well up to the end of life. He read the Greek and Latin Classics as a daily recreation from the time he left the university, and kept up a systematic line of study in several departments, altogether apart from his preparation for the work of his own chair. He was an ideal teacher. When he entered the class-room all eyes were to the front. It seemed as if disorder ceased wherever he was present. Every student seemed to feel instinctively that there was a master in command, and yet he was never harsh or stern in his relations with the students. He was genial and kind with a keen sense of humor that could enjoy a joke as well as any one. The students were proud of him and loved him as a father.

Dr. Smith, who taught in Gerrish Street for seven terms, was a scholarly, painstaking teacher, a thoroughly loveable man whom every student respected, but on whose good nature even grave theological students were apt to trespass. Dr. McKnight was a worthy successor of the great man whose place he was called to fill in 1871. They were in many respects alike, and