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Rev. E. P. Hammond.

THE name and features of this servant of the Lord are familiar to thousands in all parts of America.

In almost every city of the land may be found some who, through his preaching, have been led to accept of the Lord Jesus Christ as a personal Saviour.

Mr. Hammond has been called the Children's Evangelist, because he has given special attention, and with singular success, to the children.

He would, however, probably object to be styled "The Children's Evangelist," but we do not know that he could have any better or more truthful designation. Not that he is less successful among adults than most other labourers in the Gospel field, but that he is more successful among those of tender years. Very special gifts seem to be needed to be a constant winner of souls among the young: whatever these gifts may be, Mr. Hammond certainly possesses them, as the records of his work for the last twenty five years will amply testify.

We do not here attempt to give a sketch of the life

and work of Mr. Hammond, whose portrait is now presented to our readers. To furnish even an outline of his busy and much-honoured career, as an evangelist on both sides of the Atlantic main, would claim far more space than we have at disposal.



Mr. Hammond was born in Ellington, Connecticut, Sept 1st, 1831, but passed his boyhood and youth at Vernon, Conn. He was the child of prayer, consecrated to God by parental piety, and especially was he nurtured with holy fidelity under the wing of maternal love. At the age of seventeen he attended school at Southington, Conn., where there had been a powerful revival of religion, including in its sweep nearly all the youth of the place. Shortly after his arrival at that point, he was convicted of sin, and led by the Holy Spirit to "look and live."

He subsequently completed his preparation for college at Phillips Academy, Andover, Mass. While at College, without neglecting his studies, he laboured earnestly and successfully for the conversion of his classmates. In 1858 he received his diploma, and in 1859 he proceeded on a trip