

After his graduation from the Seminary he served successfully for five years as pastor of the First Baptist church, Saratoga, N. Y. In June, 1891, he was appointed Professor of Philosophy in McMaster University, having been recommended to this position in the highest terms by President Strong, of the Rochester Theological Seminary, Professor Reynolds, of the University of West Virginia, and others. Having spent a year in special study in Germany he entered upon his work in McMaster, October, 1892. Denison University, of Granville, O., had shortly before conferred upon him the degree of Doctor of Philosophy.

Here he at once won the respect and affection of Faculty, students and governing bodies, by his enthusiastic devotion to his work, by his grasp of the subjects that had been committed to him, by his deeply sympathetic nature, and by his ability to make his work impressive and interesting. His ideals were high and he applied himself with the utmost severity to study. As preacher he was much in demand and many of our churches have pleasant memories of the earnest and thoughtful discourses with which he favored them.

When it was learned early this year that he was about to accept a theological chair in the University of Chicago, strenuous efforts were made by the Board of Governors, the Faculty and the students of our University, to retain his services; but he felt that duty lay in the new sphere, which seemed to him to have been providentially opened for him. He has carried with him to Chicago the good wishes and the high expectations of his Canadian friends. We shall watch his future career with deep interest and we shall be surprised if he do not speedily take his place in the front rank of theological teachers. His four years of special philosophical study have given him the best kind of preparation for teaching theology in a divinity school that forms part of a great modern university.

The following from President A. H. Strong, D.D., LL.D., under whom he studied theology and who has taken a deep interest in his subsequent career, may fittingly close our sketch:

"Dr. G. B. Foster is a man of native breadth and insight. He has the philosophical and theological bent. Training in the schools has given him a generous culture, and he knows the best