

V I T A .

I, CALVIN ALEXANDER McRAE, was born in the year 1874, in the village of Erin, Ontario, where my early education was obtained. In October, 1898, I entered the University of Toronto as a student in the Faculty of Arts. In 1900, I began to specialize in the Department of Semitic Languages, being admitted to the degree of B.A., in the Spring of 1902 and to that of M.A., in 1903. During the course I directed special attention to the following subjects : Hebrew, Aramaic, Syriac, Arabic, and Assyrian Languages, with their respective Literatures, under the direction and instruction of Prof. J. F. McCurdy and his associate, the late Dr. R. G. Murison. I spent the three winters subsequent to my graduation in Arts, in the prosecution of studies in Theological subjects in Knox College (Presbyterian), Toronto, taking lectures, throughout the entire period, in Hebrew and Old Testament Literature with Prof. J. E. McFadyen. During the Academic years 1902-3 and 1903-4, I was occupied, in addition to my Divinity studies, as special Lecturer in Hebrew in the University of Trinity College (Anglican), Toronto. During the winter of 1905-6, I assisted Prof. McCurdy in the capacity of Instructor in the Department of Semitic Languages, in the University of Toronto. I spent August, 1906, to October, 1908, in Berlin, Germany, during which period I took, among other subjects, courses in the following: Assyrian, Arabic, O. T. Theology, and Ancient History; with Professors Delitzsch, Barth, Gunkel, Lehmann-Haupt and Edward Meyer. Since my return to Canada in 1908, I have continued my studies in the University of Toronto, giving special attention to the Assyrian, Syriac and Hebrew Languages.

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