

THE
HANDY DICTIONARY OF BIOGRAPHY.

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Abbas, an uncle of Mohammed, was born at Mecca about 566. At first hostile to his nephew, he afterward became the leading defender of his doctrines. He was the ancestor of the Abbasides, Caliphs at Bagdad from 750 to 946. Died 652.

Abbas I., a sultan of Persia, born in 1557, succeeded to the throne in 1582. He was so successful in his wars with the Turks as to gain the title of Abbas the Great. He enforced peace among his unruly subjects and was looked upon as a wise and magnanimous sovereign. Died 1627.

Abbas Pasha, a viceroy of Egypt, was born in 1831, and in 1841 was active in the Syrian wars of his grandfather, Mehemet Ali. He succeeded his uncle, Ibrahim Pasha, in 1848, and proved a bigoted and sensual ruler, and an obstacle to Egyptian progress. Died 1854.

Abbe, Cleveland, an American meteorologist, was born at New York, December 3, 1838. He studied astronomy at Ann Arbor and Harvard, and was director of the Cincinnati Observatory 1868-73, inaugurating there daily weather reports, which induced the United States Government to undertake similar work. He was meteorologist of the Signal Service 1871-79, and subsequently of the Weather Bureau, and in 1889 became professor of meteorology in Columbian University, Washington.

Abbey, Edwin Austin, an American artist, born at Philadel-

phia in 1852. He settled in England in 1878, and became a member of the Royal Academy. He illustrated *Herrick's Poems* and other works.

Abbot, Ezra, an American Biblical scholar, was born at Jackson, Maine, in 1819. He graduated at Bowdoin College in 1840, became assistant librarian at Harvard University in 1856, and professor of New Testament criticism in 1872. His most important work is *The Authorship of the Fourth Gospel* (1880), which is very highly regarded by Biblical students. Died 1884.

Abbot, George, Archbishop of Canterbury, was born at Guilford, England, in 1562. He was the son of a cloth-worker, but was entered at Balliol College, obtained a fellowship, and, through the influence of Lord Buckhurst, rose to be Master of University College, Dean of Winchester, and Vice-Chancellor of Oxford University. The Earl of Dunbar, a later patron, raised him successively to the sees of Lichfield, London, and Canterbury. He was a narrow-minded Calvinist, and opposed alike to Catholics and heretics, burning two Arians and consenting to the torture of a clergyman. During his later years he was almost superseded in authority by Laud. He was one of the translators of the Gospels and of the book of Acts for 'King James' version of the Bible. Died 1633.

Abbott, Charles, LORD TEN-TERDEN, an eminent English judge, was born at Canterbury in 1762. He