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TWO names much associated in the history of the Presbyterian Church in Canada are those of Drs. Burns and Willis. Of the former an interesting sketch has already appeared in this journal.

Michael Willis was born at Greenock in the year 1798. His father, a man of high character and excellent endowments, was minister of the Original Burgher congregation in that town, and also professor of theology in the small, but respectable, communion to which he adhered. At an early age Mr. Willis entered the University of Glasgow, where his course was quite distinguished, especially in the Greek language. In 1821 he was ordained as minister of Renfield Street Church, Glasgow. On the death of his father, Mr. Willis, though a young man, became his successor as professor of theology. He seems, generally, to have taken his father's place as the most prominent minister of his Church, and under his leadership the Original Burghers united with