
Editor's Portfolio.

REV. JOHN S. INSKIP,*

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OF HOLINESS.

MR. INSKIP is a native of England, born in Huntingdon, whence he came at the age of five years, with his father and the rest of the family, to the United States, and settled in Wilmington, Delaware, in 1821. After a residence of twelve years in Wilmington the family removed to Chester County, Pennsylvania. It was here, April 2nd, 1832, at the age of sixteen, under the soul-saving ministry of Rev. Levi Scott, now Bishop, that he was awakened and converted to God. He had not enjoyed the advantages of a Christian training. His father was not a religious man; indeed he was a sceptic, and most violently opposed the religious choice made by the son. So bitter was the opposition, that the lad was ejected from his home for Christ's sake; but such unflinching courage and exemplary character did the young hero display, that the infidel father was compelled to acknowledge that John was right and he was wrong, and, after wrestling under deep conviction, himself found peace through believing in Jesus, and became also a Christian. At the age of twenty, Mr. Inskip was thrust into the field of the itinerancy, and spent the first nine years of his ministry in the Philadelphia Conference. Then he was transferred to the Cincinnati Conference, in which he labored for seven years. He has since been connected with the New York, New York East, and Baltimore Conferences.

His ministerial labours have been from the first characterized by singular fidelity and efficiency. He was always practical, always thoroughly evangelical, his constant aim being the salvation of souls; but since 1866 his ministry has been one of commanding

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