

## JAMES MILLIGAN BEATTIE

Son of John and Sarah (Haines) Beattie, was born in Saint Andrews, Orange County, New York, September 24, 1811. He was a half-brother to Rev. Joseph Beattie, D. D., (Union 1852), and received an equally strict religious training in the home of his pious parents. He received his preparatory literary studies in the Coldenham Academy of his native county, and graduated from Union College in 1834. He studied theology under the Rev. James R. Willson, D. D., one year. In 1840, he went to Scotland and studied theology in the Paisley Seminary, and was licensed by the Paisley Presbytery, of the Conenanter Church, April 13, 1843. He returned to this country the same year, was ordained by the New York Presbytery, May 29, 1844, and installed pastor of the united congregations of Ryegate and Barnet, Caledonia County, Vermont, June 20, 1844. At the organization of the Barnet congregation, he resigned that branch, May 24, 1872, and on account of declining strength he was released from Ryegate, May 17, 1882. For two years he endured much suffering of the body, and died at his home in Ryegate, Caledonia County, Vermont, March 9, 1884. He married Miss Margaret S. Nelson, of Ryegate, Vermont, December 25, 1855. He was a sound theologian, an instructive preacher, and a faithful shepherd of the flock which Christ gave him. He was studious in his habits, reserved in his manners, and exemplary in his deportment. He was peculiarly gifted in prayer, conscientiously regular in the performance of Christian duties, and thoroughly devoted to the work of the Master.

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