

was ordained pastor of the Sixth Street Presbyterian church, New York city, in June, 1843. In June, 1848, he became pastor of the Presbyterian church at Palmyra, N. Y.

He travelled while officiating at Palmyra through Europe, the Holy Land, and Egypt, and made a second visit to Europe. He wrote much for the press, and published many sermons. In the exactness to which he held himself in all his duties he was the Puritan of the Puritans, but in the genial overflow of all that was innocent in wit and humor and friendly intercourse, he was the cavalier of the cavaliers. His devotion to his mother and to his kindred was unsurpassed. He was respected as a father in the church by his fellow-clergymen. He maintained his thorough scholarship in the classics and in Hebrew until his old age. Dartmouth college conferred the honorary degree of D. D. upon him in 1869. He d. Oct. 21, 1883, greatly beloved by his parish and all his townspeople. During his funeral all business houses in Palmyra were closed. A memorial was erected for him in his church by the young people, and a suitable monument in the cemetery by his congregation. He m. Aug. 13, 1845, Anna Ruth Webster, b. in Boscawen, Nov. 26, 1823, the daughter of Nathaniel and Betsey (Sawyer) Webster. Mrs. Eaton was a graduate and teacher at Mt. Holyoke Seminary. She has been eminent in her labors in the parish, and in behalf of missions and temperance. She habitually copied her husband's sermons, and since his death has published a "Memorial" of his life, which has reached its second edition. Children,—

Horace Webster, b. June 28, 1846.

John Spaulding, b. Aug. 27, 1848; d. July 4, 1868.

Anna Sawyer, b. April 21, 1851; d. Sept. 11, 1858.

Mary Sawyer, b. Dec. 19, 1853.

Elizabeth Webster, b. March 25, 1857.

Horace W. Eaton fitted for college under Dr. Taylor, at Phillips academy, Andover, Mass., and graduated at Yale college in 1870. He has taught school, but has been mainly occupied as a clerk in the government service at Washington.

John Spaulding Eaton was a student with his brother at Andover, but died before entering college. He gave evidence of a rare spirit, excellent scholarship, and promise of great usefulness. He had the ministry in view.

Mary S. Eaton graduated at Mt. Holyoke seminary in 1876, and has taught successfully in New York, Michigan, and Ontario, Canada.