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always retained a very warm interest in Princeton Seminary and was accustomed to preach in the Seminary pulpit once each year.

He was married April 27, 1841, at Somerville, N. J., to Miss Louisa Mercer Frelinghuysen, who died June 2, 1892. Six sons and three daughters survive him. One of his sons is the Rev. Theodore F. Chambers, pastor of the Presbyterian Church of German Valley, N. J.

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### JOHN MILLER,

Son of the Rev. Dr. Samuel and Sarah (Sergeant) Miller, was born April 6, 1819, in Princeton, N. J., his father being the distinguished second professor of Princeton Seminary. At the age of nineteen he united with the First Presbyterian Church of Princeton. He received his preparatory education in the Edge Hill School at Princeton and graduated from Princeton College in 1836. He then studied and worked with Professor Henry with the intention of becoming a teacher of physics, but after he had made a public profession of his faith he decided to enter the ministry and in pursuance of his intention entered the Seminary at Princeton in 1838, graduating after the full three years' course in 1841. He remained a fourth year continuing his studies in special directions. He was licensed by the Presbytery of New Brunswick, April 28, 1841, and ordained by the Presbytery of Baltimore, Oct. 30, 1843, being at the same time installed pastor of the church at Frederick City, Md. This relation was dissolved Dec. 18, 1848. He was pastor of the West Arch Street Church, Philadelphia, Pa., from July 10, 1850, to December 6, 1855. He then went to Virginia and for eight years was without a regular pastorate, although he supplied churches in the valley of Virginia. The most of his time was spent in study. During the civil war he served for one year as captain of artillery in the Confederate army, 1861-62. He was pastor of the Second Presbyterian Church of Petersburgh, Va., October 8, 1863, to June 1, 1871. In this latter year he took up his residence in Princeton and continued to reside there for the rest of his life. He did not desire a pastorate although he sup-

plied pulpits almost constantly. He was engaged chiefly in literary work. In consequence of a question of his orthodoxy raised by the publication of his book, "Questions awakened by the Bible," in 1877, and an adverse decision in both Presbytery and Synod he withdrew from the ministry of the Presbyterian Church. In 1880 he built in Princeton an independent church, which he served as pastor, establishing in connection with it several mission stations. In 1893 he was received by the Cumberland Presbyterian Church as a minister of that denomination, giving over to it his Princeton church and its mission stations and establishing a Presbytery of Princeton in connection with that body. He continued to serve the church in Princeton and its missions until his death, which occurred April 14, 1895, in Princeton, of pneumonia, having just completed his 76th year. Mr. Miller was a constant student and a prolific writer. He published a number of books and many articles. Among his publications were: "The Design of the Church as an Index to her real Nature and the true Law of her Communion," 1846; "The Doctrine of Development," 1852; "A Commentary on the Proverbs," 1872; "Fetich in Theology," 1874; "Metaphysics, or the Science of Perception," 1875; "Questions awakened by the Bible," 1877. He was warmly interested in all philanthropic movements, showing himself especially friendly to the poor.

He was twice married (1) September 24, 1844, in Richfield Springs, N. Y., to Miss Margaret Benedict, who died September 5, 1852; (2) November 3, 1856, in Lexington, Va., to Miss Sally Campbell Preston McDowell, who died April 21, 1895, just a week after his own decease. One daughter by his first wife and two by his second survive him.

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### **JAMES BALLINTINE,**

Son of Samuel and Margaret (King) Ballintine, was born Jan. 27, 1810, at Lancaster, Pa. He united with the First Presbyterian Church of Rochester, N. Y., at the age of thirteen. His school life was passed in Bethany, Rochester (Collegiate Institute) and Geneva, N. Y. He entered Union College, but ill health prevented his remaining. He spent the years 1839-41 in