

BIOGRAPHIES

academic and seminary courses conducted by his father, who was a teacher and preacher in Illinois, before coming to Texas in 1851. He was licensed to preach and ordained by Presbytery at San Marcos, Texas, on April 5th, 1856. He became stated supply for the new school Presbyterian Church in Crockett and the Old School Presbyterian Church in Centerville, and served both churches from 1857 to 1861, living at Crockett and preaching twice a month in each church.

It was during this ministry that he married Athelia Ann King, daughter of Adam C. King, an elder in the Crockett Church, and Jane Bone King. Athelia Ann King was born in Williamson County, Tennessee on September 9th, 1838, and died in Wisconsin on September 12th, 1913, and was buried in Waco, Texas. During the years 1861 to 1863, Dr. King engaged in evangelistic work, going out from Garden Valley, Smith County.

In 1863 he lived in Milford, Texas and was stated supply for the church there and also for the Waco Church. In 1864, he became a Mason while at Milford, and took the Royal Arch degrees. In 1867 he moved to Robinson, supplying Robinson and Waco Churches.

In 1875 he moved to Waco and gave his full time as pastor of the First Presbyterian Church of Waco. In 1877 he was sent as a delegate from the General Assembly to the Pan-Presbyterian Council which met in Edinburgh, Scotland. He completed a pastorate of forty years with the Waco Church in February 1903.

In the fall of 1902 he moved to Austin to fill the chair of Systematic Theology in the Austin Presbyterian Theological Seminary, occupying that chair until he reached the age of 80 years, when he asked to be released from active duty. He remained as Professor-Emeritus until a short time before his death which occurred on September 21st, 1918 at Austin. He was buried in Waco.

THE KYLE FAMILY

When a single family can claim four pioneers of Houston County, that family deserves a place in its history. This is the claim of the Kyle family for a place in the sun. Mrs. Mary Kyle Tucker of Elkhart has so ably told the history of her family that it is adopted for use in this history. She writes as follows:—

"About 1842 four brothers, J. H. B. Kyle who was our grandfather, John Kyle, W. R. W. Kyle, and Matthew G. Kyle, to-