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**Abstract**

Hope College class 1876; attended New Brunswick Theological Seminary (1877-1878), McCormick Seminary (1878-1879), graduated from Rutgers College in 1894, and Central University, Kentucky, in 1905; served pastorates in Ebenezer Reformed Church in Holland, Michigan (1879-1882), First Reformed Church, Grand Haven, Michigan (1883-1886), and Third Reformed Church in Holland (1889-1894). He also served as a professor at Western Theological Seminary (1884-1888, 1894-1903) and Kentucky Theological Seminary, Louisville, Kentucky. (Presbyterian) (1903-1926).

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**Biography**

Henry Elias Dosker was born in Bonschoten, the Netherlands, on February 5, 1855. He emigrated to the United States where he attended Hope College and graduated in 1876. He also attended New Brunswick Theological Seminary (1877-1878), McCormick Seminary (1878-1879), graduated from Rutgers College in 1894, and Central University, Kentucky in 1905.

His ordination took place in 1879, and he served pastorates in Ebenezer Reformed Church in Holland, Michigan (1879-1882), First Reformed Church, Grand Haven, Michigan (1883-1886), and Third Reformed Church in Holland (1889-1894). He also served as a professor at Western Theological Seminary (1884-1888, 1894-1903) and Kentucky Theological Seminary, Louisville, Kentucky. (Presbyterian) (1903-1926).

Henry Dosker died in Louisville, Kentucky, on December 23, 1926.

**Scope and Content**

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