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from John and Morton Edgar
of Glasgow, Scotland



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Publishers' Preface

Early in the 1900s, the brothers John and Morton Edgar of Glasgow, Scotland, frequently visited, studied and wrote extensively on the Great Pyramid of Egypt at Gizeh. Following the scholarly but general observations of Flinders Petrie, Piazzi Smyth and others of earlier explorations, the Edgars were the first to make thorough and precise measurements with contemporary tools of that day. They also wrote a number of Biblical treatises regarding character, doctrine and scriptural lessons. These works were reprinted and are still available in the 1,000 pages of *Great Pyramid Passages* and 400 pages of *Faith's Foundations*. John died in 1910. Morton died in 1950.

Recently it became apparent that there are additional treatises, reports, discourses, letters and notes from these brothers, that were never published or reprinted. *Gleanings from Glasgow* gathers and presents this as supplementary to their more widely circulated publications. Because of the magnitude and diversity of this material, there are some anomalies in this format.

Scope: The range of material includes specialized treatises, convention discourse reports, open letters and personal correspondence. With this diversity, the book is divided into three main sections as noted in the Table of Contents with items mainly arranged by date within each. Some items originated in Europe and others in America.

Fonts and format: We endeavored to preserve the appearance and feel of the original documents. This includes the use of British spelling without changes to grammar or punctuation as found in the originals. In transcribing each piece, we attempted to closely match the type style and page formats. This is evident in the many different fonts used in this book. Addresses and costs found in the booklets were retained for the sake of originality. In the case of hand written documents, a cursive font was adopted that can be easily read and examined. Some facsimiles of original graphics or pages are also used.

The Letters: These should be read with the thought that they were personal correspondence. They are included because of their vast amount of information respecting issues, events and observations marking those years. Some letters from others to Morton Edgar are included which occasionally contain Morton's marginal notations. A few letters are included from Morton's sister and niece, Minna Edgar and Annie Macdonald and others in the Gasgow ecclesia, written on the occasion of his illness and death. The larger portion of letters are between Hugo Karlén of Sweden and Morton Edgar. These frequently include advanced geometric analysis of the Pyramid as well as matters of mutual concern. Due to the complexity of some diagrams, a brief appendix expands on some of these aspects.

We commend these *Gleanings* to all sincere Bible Students.

~ The Publishers

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