

## Reverend Edward Nichols Dicken

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**D**ICKEN, REV. EDWARD NICHOLS, Baptist Clergyman, was born September 26, 1835, in Campbell County, Kentucky; and was raised on the farm of his father, Charles Dicken, a native of Campbell County, of Virginia parents, who removed to Kentucky at an early day. His grandfather was a soldier in the war of the Revolution. His mother's maiden name was Cherry. Mr. Dicken was liberally educated, entering Georgetown College in 1857; after pursuing a thorough course, graduated in 1861. He taught school at Alexandria, in his native county, for two or three years; and, in 1864, became Professor of Greek and Latin in Georgetown College, occupying that position until 1870. In that year he removed to Pembroke, and became pastor of the Bethel Baptist Church. In the same year he was elected Trustee of Bethel College, at Russellville; and, in 1872, was elected Chairman of the Board of Trustees of Bethel Female College, at Hopkinsville, now occupying both positions. After first leaving college, he studied law, with a view to entering upon its practice; but circumstances induced him to abandon his designs in that direction. He has grown rapidly into favor in the ministry; and is one of the most earnest, conscientious, and scholarly men of his Church. He has recently taken a prominent part in the associations of his Church; and, although holding no public office, has taken an active part in all affairs pertaining to the public good; and is one of the most stirring and valuable men of his community. Mr. Dicken was married, July 18, 1861, to Miss Louisiana Griffin, daughter of Hon. William M. Griffin, a distinguished citizen of Louisiana. They have two children—William Lee and Charles Edward Dicken.

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