

### **Buell, William P. (1815 – n.d.) and Seignoria Branch (née Vaughn)**

The Buells were the first Presbyterian missionary couple to serve in Siam. William Buell was born 18 June 1815 near Marietta, Ohio, but he later considered himself a resident of Virginia. He graduated from Union Seminary, Virginia and was ordained a minister by the Presbytery of East Hanover. Seignoria Buell was from Petersburg, Virginia. They were married 6 February 1840, sailed for Siam in March of that year, and arrived in Bangkok in August 1840. They served there until late 1843 or early 1844, when ill health forced them to return to the United States, where they arrived in December 1844. They then resigned from missionary work.