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### AKAKI TSERETELI AND THE PROBLEM OF REUNION OF ACHARA TO GEORGIA

In the second half of the 19<sup>th</sup> century the problems amassed to Georgia, as a colonized country. Owing to the degenerated and irresponsible rulers and historical ill-fates national vital impulses had considerably been weakened by that period. In such a time of a people's history a particular role can be played by a distinguished man of a country who is looked upon as a paragon of virtues, the man who is capable of assuming his patriotic duty and fulfilling his obligation faultlessly in the service to his people. Akaki Tsereteli personifies the kind of a public man.

In the 70s of the 19<sup>th</sup> century prior to and during the Russo-Turkish war A. Tsereteli, a famous poet of Georgia, several times crossed the borders of Achara illegally, the province of Georgia annexed to Turkey at that time. The poet enjoyed great respect among the local population and he carried out explanatory works to wake patriotism among the Georgians of Achara. Among some other sincere patriots of Georgia Akaki Tsereteli accomplished great mission to bring back the Acharan Georgians to the national space without complications.