MAY MONROE

1865 - 1913

By the death of May Monroe, for fourteen years instructor in Spoken English, Vassar College has lost a teacher of distinctive power and a personality of rare graciousness and charm. An original conception of her field of work, a constant reference of its every detail to fundamental principle rather than to mere authority, an unusual gift of recognizing and developing the individual capacities of her students, made her teaching a living force in the college. Those who knew her only casually remember her unfailing gentle courtesy, her generous estimates of others; those more closely associated with her honor a character of finest integrity, a nature incapable of unkindness or of self-seeking. She gave unsparingly of her skill and training both to the students and to the teaching body. The Faculty of Vassar College desires to record upon its minutes and to express to the family of Miss Monroe its sense of the irreparable loss sustained by the College and its heart-felt sympathy. Gertrude Buck Emilie Louise Wells J. Leverett Moore V - 260