

JAMES ORTON

1830 - 1877

The Faculty of Vassar College desire to give expression to the sentiment of regret and sympathy on the occasion of Professor Orton's death, and to testify their regard for the character of their departed friend.

He was a scholar in the truest sense of the word, and his labors will always eminently stand forth on the record of scientific exploration. His efficiency as an instructor as well as his enthusiasm and indefatigable industry in furthering the interests of our College, cannot be too highly valued and will leave their mark for a long time to come. He was a good man;- his genial and sympathetic nature, his modesty and child like simplicity, and the purity of his high-toned character, secured for him the affectionate regard of his colleagues and pupils, and the high esteem in which he was held by all who knew him. So, while his name will occupy an honorable place in the history of science and public instruction, his memory will ever be cherished in the hearts of his colleagues, pupils, and friends.

Therefore resolved, That we tender to Mrs. Orton, and her family, our heartfelt condolence, and express the hope that, with the consolations which our trust in the guidance of Divine Providence affords, they may also derive comfort from the knowledge that their grief is shared by many, that his life was made happy through the love of his family, the attachment of numerous friends, and the successful pursuit of congenial labors, and that his death has shed lasting glory on his noble work.

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