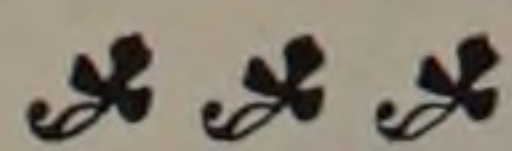


# In Memoriam



PROF. JAMES CLARK FOYE, A. M., PH. D., LL. D.



It was with a deep sense of sorrow that we heard of the sudden death of Prof. Foye on the evening of July 3, 1896. Some of us knew that he had been ill for about a year, but we hoped, and perhaps most of us expected, that the rest which he would obtain during the summer holidays would restore him to health. He was extremely adverse to appearing ill, so much so that he never missed a lecture or recitation and even when he ought not to have attempted any work he would appear in class with his accustomed good nature and with such perfect control of himself that I doubt if any of his students even suspected that he was ill. It was only when comparatively alone in his office that he allowed himself to show the illness he felt. His death, therefore, was a surprise to both faculty and students, who felt that they were all poorer by the sad event.

Prof. Foye was born March 1, 1841, at Great Falls, N. H., and graduated from Williams College, Williamstown, Mass., in 1863. Shortly after receiving his degree, he was called to the chair of Natural Science in the Wesleyan Female College, Cincinnati, and two or three years later became President of Jonesborough Female College in Tennessee. In 1867 he became Professor of Physics and Chemistry in Lawrence University, Appleton, Wis., where he remained for twenty-six years, resigning his professorship to accept a similar position in the Armour Institute in 1893. This was before the Institute had any students, and it was thought that one man could teach all the Chemistry and Physics. When the registration made it evident that four men would be required to do this work, Prof. Foye became Professor of Chemistry. Then the department of Chemistry and Chemical Engineering was organized, with Prof. Foye as Director.

Prof. Foye never ceased to be a student and investigator. He contributed to scientific periodicals, wrote three important books, was an active and valued member of the Wisconsin Academy of Science, the Chicago Academy of Science, and the American Association for the Advancement of Science. He earned his Master's degree early in his teaching and the degree Ph. D. was later conferred by DePauw, and LL. D. by Lawrence, and the A. A. A. S. honored him by making him one of its fellows. Lawrence University recognized his executive ability by making him vice president and fiscal agent.

But Prof. Foye was more than teacher, student and scholar. He was a citizen in the best sense of the word, since he found "his satisfaction in ways which were favorable to the well-being of all." He was a well-rounded, well-balanced man. A man of charming good nature, but withal a decidedly positive man, a believer in humanity, an optimist, and altogether the kind of person one likes to have as his friend.

The following resolutions express the feelings of the executive committee toward our departed friend:

WHEREAS, The earthly career of our friend and colleague, Prof. James Clark Foye, has suddenly terminated, and Armour Institute of Technology, and his professional associates, have, by the sad event, sustained a great loss, therefore,

*Resolved*, That we, the Executive Committee of Armour Institute of Technology, desire to record our sorrow at the loss of one who has been with us since the opening of the Institute, and helped in no small way to lay the foundation upon which successful work has since been accomplished. By his genial manner and kindly ways Prof. Foye endeared himself to every one of us, and by his death we have lost an earnest and enthusiastic fellow student, a conscientious and successful teacher, and an able and judicious counselor. He will be missed in our classes and in our councils, and the memories of his amiability, kindness, strong convictions and rare good judgment will not soon be forgotten.

*Resolved*, That we unite in these resolutions of respect and esteem, that we tender to the bereaved family our sincere sympathy, and that a copy of these resolutions be transmitted to them by the secretary.