

In Memoriam

Prof. Stephen Haskins Carpenter, LL. D.

State Historical Society, December 17, 1878

Gen. Simeon Mills, in the chair, announced the sudden death of Dr. Carpenter, for many years a prominent member and officer of the Society. The secretary, Lyman C. Draper, Prof. J. B. Parkinson, and Hon. H. H. Giles, were appointed a committee to draft suitable resolutions expressive of the regard of the Society for their late associate, who reported the following resolutions:

“Resolved, That the Executive Committee of the State Historical Society of Wisconsin, enter upon its records this testimonial to the unswerving fidelity to principle, to duty, and to friendship of the late Prof. S. H. Carpenter, LL.D., a man whom we long since learned to recognize as a scholar of large and varied culture, devoted to the cause of education and to the elevation of our race; ever a Christian gentleman, kind and courteous in his intercourse with his fellow men; charitable in thought, and liberal in all that pertains to benevolence and humanity.

“Resolved, That this Society, of which Prof. Carpenter has been an active officer for nearly a quarter of a century, and to which he has freely contributed his gifts and his services, deeply deplores the loss it has sustained in his death, and tenders its profound sympathies to his bereaved companion and relatives.”

Several members of the Society, who were intimately connected in life with the lamented professor, either professionally or socially, sustained the resolutions of respect with remarks on his character and life-work.

Prof. R. B. Anderson, of the State University, submitted the following memoir:

Stephen Haskins Carpenter, was a son of Calvin G. Carpenter, a Baptist clergyman, and was born on the 7th of August, 1831,