

The news has just reached us that Professor Henry Webster Parker died Nov. 21st at his home in Fitchburg, N. Y. He came to Iowa College in 1864, took charge of the natural sciences as then taught, laid the foundation of our museum and made it, for a time, the best in the state, and resigned in 1870. After giving nine years to the Massachusetts Agricultural College, he returned and gave Iowa College renewed service from 1879 to 1889 when increasing deafness forced him to resign. He was a man of poetic taste and temperament and gave a literary tone to his preaching and to his scientific teaching. He was the author of several volumes which were well received. They won for him the eulogy and the friendship of many literary men. He was able to do considerable literary work after leaving the college. His last sickness was protracted, a confinement to his bed thirty-four weeks, and he was helpless during three months. His widow, Mrs. Parker, and his son, Donald, survive him. In their profound sorrow they have the warmest sympathy of Grinnell friends who have vivid memories of his valuable service in far-away days so near the beginning of life on this prairie.

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