

energy and perseverance began to exhibit the results of its labor; results which have magnitude, excellence and utility. Here the infant mind, by firm and zealous effort, starting as a pebbly brook, had grown to be an Amazonian river, wide in its range of information, deep in scientific knowledge, not swift but powerful to reason. Such a character, such a self-made man, we admire; and such a man was your late valuable fellow-citizen Doctor Joseph Ray. He who leads a delicate intellect through the quagmires of life, protects, encourages, and expands it until it soars by its own endeavors into the brilliant sky where others, backed by natural endowment, have earned no insignificant recommendation, deserves no trivial praise, is entitled to no petty commendation; but he is worthy of the highest eulogium, and the most lasting remembrance of his friends, his countrymen, and every human being, who honors the effect of example. Shall we, then, the immediate pupils, and you who once were bound as we are by every tie of graduation, linked by all of a scholar's affection, chained by so many fond recollections to his name—shall we fail to honor and cherish his memory? Will you, mothers, and you, fathers, whose sons and daughters drank from the fount of his labors, and were inspired by his energy—will you permit his name to fade?

And you citizens of Cincinnati—you who have reaped the products of his toil, and still do reap the harvests of his sowing, will you not raise your voice to speak his praise? I know you will. I marked it at yonder Church in your parting glance. We all will! Ten thousand hearts behold his noble example, and will cherish his memory. It was no life of idleness, no life wasted in self-aggrandizement. He was more magnanimously constituted; and never did man use his talents to greater advantage, or direct them in more useful channels. What does the cause of "Free Education" owe him? What is the extent of his claim upon society for having gathered those youthful vagrants—the thorns and thistles of childhood virtue—from its midst? If to the one, he was the principal instrument in securing the most munificent bequest of any in the State of Ohio; with the