The Girls' Tribute

We, the girls who were privileged to know her intimately, are glad to have this opportunity of giving expression to the sense of love and loyalty with which Mrs. Parker inspired us.

From the first we were attracted to her, even before we could explain why, by the compelling personal magnetism that was so vital a part of her, and as time revealed her personality to us gradually, we were but closer drawn.

She gave us much, more indeed than we ever realized while she gave it, for it came so spontaneously, so naturally, that it seemed as it were inevitable, a necessary attribute, that she should give out fully and unhesitatingly to us her rich store of energy and vitality. In the listless and unthinking she awakened interest and stirred ambition, and in those moments of despondency and weariness that come to all of us, we learned to turn to her, to be shown again the vision of loyalty to work and to school, loyalty to an ideal, a loyalty which she had first inspired.