

CHARLES FREDERICK HARTT.¹

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It is now nearly twelve years since, to the surprise and sorrow of his friends, news came from Brazil of the sudden and untimely death of Prof. Charles Frederick Hartt; cut off in the midst of his noble work of making known to the world the Natural History and resources of the great Empire of Brazil.

He died in middle age with all the enthusiasm of youth upon him, with his life work giving promise of a glorious future. When we think of what he might have accom-

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² In the preparation of this paper I have quoted freely and verbatim from a sketch of the life of Professor Hartt written by Mr. G. ~~N.~~ Hay, and from the very excellent sketch prepared by Mr. Richard Rathbun, one of Prof. Hartt's assistants in Brazil. The present sketch is fuller, for his early life and a few incidents that have transpired since his death have been added.