

a reputation of world-wide fame. The learned societies of Europe and America have showered upon him all the honours possible, by electing him an honorary or corresponding fellow, and by granting him awards of merit and medals of honour, such as few distinguished men ever have shared.

In Canada, the name of Hall is a household name among geologists and students of science. His works are classic. They bear the impress of a master-mind. It is easy to read in them the progress of scientific thought and trend of discoveries in the broad field of palæontological enquiries the world over, from the thirties to these the closing years of this century. So great an impress did the New York State Survey produce on the geology of America that its nomenclature has been practically adopted as a standard for over fifty years.

The magnificent State Museum at Albany, the library of royal quarto volumes on the Geology and Palæontology of New York State, together with a vast amount of preliminary and final reports in Reports of the Regents of the University of New York—besides the nucleus of the fine typical collection of fossil remains in the American Museum of Natural History, Central Park, New York City, are standing monuments of the labour, pen and mind of James Hall, whom the world of geological science now mourns, not as one who died prematurely—but as one who passed away to his rest, having accomplished much, encouraged many and won for himself laurels that fade not easily—and glory in the annals of American geological history.

In a future number we hope to give a more comprehensive and detailed account of Prof. Hall's writing, especially with reference to their bearing upon Canadian Geology.—THE EDITOR.

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