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Survey; 1906 - Biographical sketches

7 Whom the Gods love die young -
6 or 7 of the most promising mindstijals fulfilled this
saying - - Grace A. Van Everen Stoughton

Grace A. Van Everen Stoughton, a favorite pupil of Dr. Drown and one of the recent members of this Association, 1902, died in January, 1905, after a critical operation.

A graduate of the Massachusetts Institute of Technology (1896) and a teacher of experience, she was strongly attracted toward research work along the lines of sanitation and took a correspondence course with Miss Talbot, of the University of Chicago.

In February, ¹⁹⁰³ ~~1898~~, she passed the civil service examination for the position of bacteriologist in the Research Laboratory of the New York Department of Health. This position she held at the time of her death.

Owing to her broad general training and - because she was not a physician - to her natural interest in other than medical questions, she chose the bacteriology of drinking water for her subject. For the year before her death, she devoted her whole time to research work on intestinal bacteria in their relation to water supply. Up to the very last days of her life she continued at her task so as to leave in permanent form some slight record of her work.

During the last month she prepared a paper on the pollution of the water supplies of New York City entitled "Concerning the Characteristics of Colon Bacilli and the Value of the Presumption Test", read at the Havana meeting of the Laboratory Section of this Association.

She was greatly esteemed in the laboratory for the high grade of work that she was doing and for her fine and lovable character.

The world and this Association are the poorer for the loss of

G. A. Van Everen Stoughton 2

a worker of great promise, for to her energy and enthusiasm were added a clear brain and great tenacity of purpose.

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Diphtheria country - lung typhoid - & cough -
They came back -
pretty thin & white & coughed but the summer
in the country seemed to find her all
right - good flesh. good color seemed well
else they would not have let her
take the position at Wellinby.

The Drs did not seem to be able to
diagnose the case - so they rec -
Arizona - She seemed during well
until Sept. She was so proud & happy
to have her degree & formal so much
to do & to enjoy in Arizona. Planned
a book on the Flora - Dr Trelease
of the Shaw Botanic Garden St. Louis
asked her to collect cacti & the
Univ of Arizona at Tucson offered
her ^{privately} & take it - all
in all she was ^{very} happy &
did not feel an exile - a whole
new world opened out before her -