He was one of the earliest members of the A. A. A. S., and always glad to attend its meetings. He was a life-long member, too, of the Rhode Island Horticultural Society, and the Providence Franklin Society, and a member of that group of Rhode Island botanists that included at one time George Thurber, J. W. Bailey, S. T. Olney and A. L. Colder. He was personally known to doctors Torrey and Gray, and had sent specimens to Harvey. As was often the case in those early days, he had embraced several sciences and divided his life between entomology and botany. In his garden he grew the most precious wild flowers and made every one welcome to their enjoyment. He passed away on Feb. 21st at the ripe age of eighty-four.—W. WHITMAN BAILEY, *Providence, R. I.*

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