

ELIZABETHTOWN.

*Post.* Few public men have acquitted themselves as creditably as Julius Sterling Morton did and the American people will hold his memory in kindly regard, for he had done his country service which entitled him to such remembrance.

WASHINGTON, D. C.

*Times.* As the Father of Arbor Day, which is observed by every state and territory, with two exceptions, ex-Secretary J. Sterling Morton, who has just passed away, will be lovingly and gratefully remembered. Mr. Morton deserves a monument for popularizing the movement to reduce the destruction of woodlands to the necessary minimum, and provide substitutes for the millions of trees which have been deliberately or accidentally destroyed.

*Star.* Politicians may disagree as to the public virtues of J. Sterling Morton, but those Americans who love Nature, who feel that the state owes her a debt and who believe in the possibility of training the people to love her in turn, will agree that Mr. Morton made a high mark for himself, if only through his encouragement of tree-planting.

PENNSYLVANIA.

PHILADELPHIA.

*Public Ledger.* J. Sterling Morton, whose death is recorded, was one of the great men of the country. As the author of Arbor Day, he stands among the great benefactors of mankind.

*Record.* To him was largely due the elevation of the Agricultural Department from any agency of prosaic publication and perfunctory seed distribution to a plane of high public usefulness. He found the department a nerveless and boneless refuge for influential incapacity; he left it a highly organized and efficient institution.

*Inquirer.* He was a man of the highest probity, a good citizen and one that will be sincerely mourned. He taught farmers how to get the most out of their soil and has reared a lasting monument to his credit, his intelligence and his integrity.

*Times.* To him we owe Arbor Day and the many millions of trees which have been planted on the woodless prairies of the West, and on the denuded areas of the East, because of the observance of this recurring anniversary. He is one of the old guard.

PITTSBURG.

*Gazette.* He was an uncompromising champion of the opinions to which he adhered. If he made enemies, he won their respect. Ever in the open, they knew where to find him, and never found him skulking.

*Chronicle-Telegraph.* He was a man of gentle and loving nature, a politician in whom there was no guile, and a public servant who served the people honestly and fearlessly.

*Independent.* If he had done nothing else to distinguish himself, this one thing which was the starting point for subsequent forestry work entitles him to consideration "as one who loved his fellowman;" he was the Father of Arbor Day.

*Dispatch.* His record as a public man was such as to win the respect of friends and opponents alike.

HARRISBURG.

*Star.* The name of J. Sterling Morton will forever be associated with the Arbor Day movement, of which he was the father. This one thing entitles him to consideration as one who loved his fellow-man.

PITTSBURG.

*Gazette.* Ex-Secretary Morton was the Father of Arbor Day, and as such he is entitled to the grateful thanks of all who appreciate the value and magnitude of the work that has been accomplished during the past decade toward the rehabilitation of the country's woodland.

LANCASTER.

*Examiner.* His death is a distinct loss. In office he was not a theorist. He simply wanted to break up some old customs, enshrined in the cake of conservatism. He played his part well and is entitled to general respect.

*News.* He was an honest politician and was greatly beloved by the people of his state. He was a student of forestry, and as the Father of Arbor Day will find a place in history.

BEAVER.

*Times.* Mr. Morton was a self-made man, who did not by any means worship his maker. He was a man of the highest probity, a good citizen and one who will be sincerely mourned.

MASSACHUSETTS.

BOSTON.

*Boston Transcript.* Personally Mr. Morton was a very interesting, brilliant and agreeable companion. His home at Arbor Lodge, Nebraska, was the center of the life of cultured men and women. His home life was most pleasant and agreeable and his wife, who passed away a number of years ago, was a most necessary and real helpmate to him.

NORTH ADAMS.

*Herald.* The late J. Sterling Morton was the Father of Arbor Day, and that alone is enough to give lustre to his memory as a benefactor to the human family.

WORCESTER.

*Spy.* The tributes paid to the late J. Sterling Morton bear the stamp of sincerity. He was honored in lifetime for his honesty of purpose and the sound excellence of his judgment in matters of vital importance to the people. His service to his fellowmen entitles him to be considered one of the people's real benefactors.

TENNESSEE.

NASHVILLE.

*American.* In arousing interest in tree planting Mr. Morton did a great work which entitles him to the name of benefactor. He was the pioneer in a work too long delayed.

*Banner.* He was a man of staunch integrity of character, and a thorough American.

*News.* He was a straightforward, manly man, a fair fighter, a vigorous writer of good, strong, English, and a close student of politics and agriculture.

CHATTANOOGA.

*Times.* In the death of J. Sterling Morton the country will experience a loss that comes of the departure of a brave, manly, able, strong influence, always for the right. Mr. Morton was

an American of the Americans; an all-around model citizen who will be remembered long for the nobility of his manhood, and the great service he rendered his country.

ARKANSAS.

LITTLE ROCK.

*Elevator.* He was a man of strong character, and was without doubt the most efficient man who ever presided over the agricultural bureau.

*Gazette.* He was one of the leading statesmen of the West, and one of the most progressive and most accomplished men of the nation. He was an accomplished orator, a debater of distinction and one of the most companionable of men.

COLORADO.

DENVER.

*News.* That he was honest in his views no one would question. In his public life he exemplified the sincerity of his opinions. His private life was virtuous, and his name will be longest remembered for its association with industrial progress.

*Post.* A man of unusually firm character, highly educated and finely bred, a scholar in every meaning of the word, of lofty ideals and ambitions, he was the friend and intimate of many of the most brilliant minds of his generation.

*Times.* He was an independent thinker and investigator, a student, a public speaker and above all a conversationalist, full to the brim of physical, intellectual and moral courage. In the early days of the West, when the people were robust rather than intellectual, when the only problems presented were those stern and hardy ones which demanded above all else courage, physical endurance and energy, Sterling Morton was an unusual settler to find his way to the Nebraska wilds.

CRIPPLE CREEK.

*Times.* His has been a clean and busy life. He was a practical man, and he commanded the respect of his political opponents by his steadfast convictions, his unswerving honesty and acknowledged ability.

COLORADO SPRINGS.

*Gazette.* Mr. Morton was a man of sufficient intelligence to be able to give very good reasons for his beliefs, and he was of sufficient firmness to hold to his opinions in spite of unfavorable criticism. Even his political enemies respected him as belonging to a class that can never become too numerous for the national welfare.

INDIANA.

CONNERSVILLE.

*Courier.* The forests of the United States, so rapidly disappearing, had a devoted friend in Mr. Morton. Every school child, when planting a tree on Arbor Day, will remember with gratitude its founder, and every school should show its appreciation of one who has done so much to protect and perpetuate American trees.

TERRE HAUTE.

*Express.* By the death of J. Sterling Morton, democracy loses one of its cleanest and frankest men. As a personality, Mr. Morton was popular; as a partisan he was outspoken and vigorous.

EVANSVILLE.

*Courier.* Mr. Morton was a thoroughly practical member of Mr. Cleveland's