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As some allusion is made in the following Address to the circumstances connected with its delivery, it may be proper to state, that after the death of Mr. Webster the students of the Law School requested the author, at such time as might suit his convenience, to address them on the life and character of Mr. Webster, and he assented, with the understanding that the Address should be delivered in the usual Lecture-room in Dane Hall, instead of an ordinary lecture.

The students subsequently procured a full-length portrait of Mr. Webster, and placed it in the Lecture-room, by the side of portraits of Judge Story and Chief Justice Marshall, and the Address was then delivered.

At their request it is now printed.



### ADDRESS.

#### GENTLEMEN OF THE LAW SCHOOL: -

WE deviate, to-day, from the ordinary discussions of this place, that we may pay a further tribute to the memory of one who but a short time since held a commanding position in our chosen profession,—one who, if not in such fulness of years as we desired to have witnessed, yet, after the lapse of the ordinary limit of human life, now "sleeps well" in the silent dormitory of the dead.

You have fitly desired to do such honor as you might to him, whom you have rightly regarded as one of those greater luminaries who have "ruled the days" of the law, and whose light is not extinguished by the providence which has removed him beyond the horizon which limits our present vision.

Upon the occasion of his death, you shrouded our edifice in the emblems of that mourning which was