QUEEN DOWAGER OF THE INSTITUTE

Mrs. Rogers Celebrates Eighty-Fifth Birthday Today

There is one person living, and only one, who has known and loved the Institute from its first conception in the mind of Professor William Barton Rogers and throughout all the vicissitudes of its existence until today. That person is his beloved wife, whose eighty-fifth birthday is to be celebrated tomorrow.

It was science which induced Professor Rogers, then of the University of Virginia to visit New England on a geological excursion in 1846, but it was Emma Savage, a young lady whom he met that summer, the first time in the White Mountains who eventually brought him to Boston and through him, gave us the unique and splendid Institute of Science that we have today.

This is not the time nor the place to cite how Mrs. Rogers' life has been blended with that of her husband in a lofty devotion to science and a passionate loyalty to the Institute. Only those who have had the rare privilege of her intimate acquaintance realize how completely her whole life has been absorbed in the foundation, organization and success of her husband's plans for technological education in Boston. They alone can tell of the terrible years of anxiety, when President Rogers lay dangerously ill and unable to be at his post; of the days in the Institute's history when the friends were few, and financial burdens almost too heavy to bear; of mergers, old and new, threatening to shatter the integrity of the great School, whose birth, childhood and youth, in her always, has always, with noble constancy, been with the Institute in his great work. May her example be an inspiration to her successors in all the coming generations.

The engagement is announced of William Durant Allaire, 1885, to Emma MacLean, Wellesley, 1908.

The marriage of Francis Assembly, 1902, to Miss Missi-Ridbom of Boston is also announced.