KILLED IN WAR AT 70, PENNED DEATH NOTICE

Prof. Caspar Gregory of Leipsic, Philadelphia Born, Volunteered When the War Began.

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BERLIN, April 13, (via London.)—At the age of 70 years, Dr. Casper René Gregory, a native of Philadelphia, but for twenty-five years a professor of theology at the University of Leipsic, fell in battle on Monday.

When the war began the professor, despite his age, immediately insisted on joining the army as a common soldier, and was never known to shirk his duty either in the drumfire or the drudgery behind the lines. When on Nov. 6 last he celebrated his seventieth birthday at the front, he was made a Sergeant Major. When death overtook him on the field, he had reached the rank of Lieutenant and was leading a company in battle.

Dr. Gregory was educated at the University of Pennsylvania and at theological seminaries in Philadelphia and Princeton. He undertook many journeys of exploration for Greek manuscripts and for other scientific purposes. The results were embodied in books written in German, English, and French which are considered of great merit.

Since 1891 Dr. Gregory had been a regular professor of theology at Leipsic, but he often visited the United States, lecturing at the famous universities and seminaries. His last lecturing tour through Canada and the greater part of the United States was made in 1912. He was a member of many scientific societies. In Germany he played a political part of some importance in the so-called national social movement.

Professor Gregory wrote as long ago as Aug. 27, 1914, the notice of his own death virtually as it appeared in the advertising columns of the newspapers this morning, relatives adding only the date of the actual death. The notice reads: ""Caspar René Gregory, professor at Leipsic University, fell in battle for the German cause April 9, 1917. His family must not wear mourning or lament his loss, but should be happy that he is resting in God. "Visa of condolence ought to be omitted. He extends a hearty farewell and a hopeful 'auf wiedersehen' to all his friends and acquaintances."

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