1825, May 24

At a special Meeting of the President & Fellows of "Yale College in New Haven" at Hartford on this 24th day of May 1825.

Voted that this Board do entertain a high sense of the public spirit and liberality of Col George Gibbs manifested in the Loan to Yale College & the public, during a period of fifteen years of his splendid & highly useful Cabinet of minerals and Models & of a valuable collection of books relating to natural science — that the introduction of this Cabinet has, in an important degree, given rise to a new science in this country, thus preparing the way for the more complete discovery of its mineral treasures, and for the acquisition of new sources of national and individual wealth — that it has contributed much to advance the reputation, usefulness and prosperity of Yale College, and to diffuse among our Youth important practical knowledge, and a taste for accurate observation & original research, that Col Gibbs is therefore justly regarded as one of the Founders of mineralogical & geological science in the United States, and as a distinguished Patron of the Arts; and that he is therefore entitled to the thanks of this Board & of his Country — and that the President be requested to present to Col Gibbs the thanks of this Corporation for his many Acts of liberality to this Institution.

The foregoing is a true Copy of the records of the President & Fellows of Yale College certified by

Elizur Goodrich
Secretary P & F
Yale College