

[Eldred, Rufus]

DEATHS.

In Sheridan, March 11th, RUFUS ELDRED, aged 65 years. In the death of this good man, community has been deprived of a most valuable citizen, the Universalist society of one of its best members, and his aged companion and dutiful children, of a most affectionate husband and father. In short, all who knew Br. Eldred, esteemed him.

In 1805 or 6, Br. Eldred renounced the doctrine of endless misery, and embraced that of a world's salvation through Jesus Christ, under the ministerial labors of Br. [Nathaniel] Stacy in Hamilton and vicinity. Five or six years ago, he removed to this county, and as before, devoted his talents and a consistent portion of his means to the support of the truth. For the last four months he was able to speak only in a whisper, and the disease terminated in a quick consumption. He bore all with calmness, and was perfectly resigned to the providence of God which called him from the fond embrace of his family. O may we live the life, as well as die the death of the righteous!

The funeral on the 13th, at the Methodist meeting-house, was attended by a large concourse of people, including four Partialist clergymen, who mingled their sympathies with the afflicted, and paid the last tribute of respect to the deceased. Sermon by Br. S. Adams, of Carroll.

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