[Parsons, Linus]

DEATHS.

In New Hartford, N.Y., on the 8th inst., after a lingering and painful illness of many months, Mr. LINUS PARSONS, in the 65th year of his age. He was a native of Durham, Conn., but removed to New Hartford when a young man, and had resided here for more than forty years. Of large benevolence and social powers he secured the attachment of many friends—enemies he had none—and the respect of all who knew him. For many years he had been a firm and consistent believer in the great doctrine of a world's salvation; and as his life drew to a close, his faith grew stronger and his hopes brighter; yea, to use his own language, brighter by far than the midday Summer's sun. Aware of his approaching end he was ready and anxious to meet it; and I am strongly desirous that all his family and friends should know the strength and extent of his faith in Christ as a complete and perfect Saviour of the whole world. He had selected the text for his funeral sermon—'Behold the Lamb of God, which taketh away the sin of the world'— John i:29, and desired the writer to preach it. The request was complied with, the funeral being attended by a large concourse of mourning and sympathizing friends. He leaves a widow, one daughter and four sons, who while they mourn, mourn in hope and with the assurance that their loss is his unspeakable gain.

D. S. [Dolphus Skinner]

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