[Peck, Darwin S.]

OBITUARY

PECK.—In Geneva, Sunday, February 17, 1901, Darwin S. Peck, formerly of Penn Yan, aged 77 years.

The thoughts of those who have known the whole of one's heart life, turn back from placid face and stilled form of three score and ten, and dwell long on all loving, good cheerful words, looks and deeds of the past; while the home circle is left to grieve over the same, manifested to them daily even to the last.

This applies to the mentality of Darwin S. Peck, whose life's journey peacefully and unexpectedly ended February 17, 1901, after a brief illness of only two weeks. His favors and friendship when a young man were courted and sought by all in society and home circles, and during his whole life he was always ready to leave any beaten path to do a kind act for friend or stranger in need, his natural impulse making him genial, true and kind to all. He was the youngest son of Judge Abel Peck, the well-known pioneer who settled in Benton, Yates Co., N.Y., in 1813. Of that family but one is left, his sister, Mercy, widow of Harvey C. Boyd, living near Chelsea, Mich., and now 92 years old. His always active life was spent in Benton and Penn Yan, from which latter place he removed with his family to Geneva some two years since. When a youth he attended school at Prattsburg academy, making there many friends. He leaves a widow, two daughters and one son, W. D., who mourn a loving husband and father.

The funeral was held from his late residence on William street February 20, the Rev. George Cross Baner, pastor of the Universalist church, officiating. Interment was made in Glenwood cemetery. The pall bearers were George Beebe, George Forden, Frank Hofmann, James Wilkie, F. N. Wright and H. B. Conley.

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