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ROSILLA POTTER

After a long and lingering illness, Miss Rosilla Potter of this place passed to the higher life, Oct. 18th, aged 20 years and 7 months. For nine long years she had been an invalid and at times her sufferings were very great. She loved life and was endeared to it by a thousand pleasant associations. She loved her friends and was warmly attached to them, and to all human appearance she had everything to attach her to this existence. But when the summons came, it found her ready. She had cheerful views of human destiny, and believed without a question or a doubt that God would wipe tears from off all faces, and that "All the world would summer in his smiles." At an early age, under the ministry of Rev. Wm. H. McGlaughlin, she united with the Universalist church of Friendship, and when her health would permit, she rejoiced to work for her church, and was willing to make any sacrifice for the faith she loved so well. Her sainted father, Wm. Potter, of blessed memory, was among the first to unite with those who were willing to labor and suffer reproach, because they trusted in the living God who is the Savior of all men.

The family of our deceased sister were warmly attached to her, and all that maternal affection, sisterly love, and fraternal regard as medical skill could do, was done to relieve her sufferings and soothe her passage to the grave. Her pastor, Rev. J. J. [Jay Jenkins] Brayton, had charge of her funeral, which was largely attended at the home of her mother Mrs. S. P. [Semantha Prudence] Potter, Oct. 20th, he being assisted in the service by Rev. F. M. [Francis Milton] Alvord. It was a touching sight, to see Mrs. Brayton's S. S. class of young ladies, of whom Rosilla was a worthy member, follow her remains to the City of the Dead. She was buried in Maple Grove Cemetery.

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