

[Knapp, Liscomb]

Br. Hammond: It becomes by painful duty to inform you and the public generally that our worthy and beloved brother, REV. LISCOMB KNAPP, departed this life on Thursday, the 27th of March, 1845. You are aware that he has been declining in health for about two years, and has lost entirely the use of his limbs. He experienced, however, but little bodily pain during the protracted illness. I visited him frequently during his confinement, and always found him resigned, devotional, and morally happy. He was beloved by all who knew him, and has left behind him a reputation for moral honesty, integrity and piety, which kings might court. He died as he had lived, in full confidence of a glorious immortality for himself and all mankind. The doctrine that he had publicly preached for about 32 years sustained him through all his troubles to the last moment. Sister Knapp has been, and now is, sorely afflicted, aside from her present cutting bereavement. She has endured the pains of *two broken limbs* within the past year, the last of which will not yet enable her to stand and walk. But she, too, reposes her trust in the God of all grace, who has promised to be the widow's God and the father of the fatherless.

The funeral of Br. Knapp was attended at his late residence, in Royalton [NY] on Sunday the 30th ult., when the consolations of the Gospel were tendered to an immense concourse of sympathizing friends and neighbors, by the writer. May the rich blessings of God, both temporal and spiritual, rest upon and abide with the afflicted family.

J[acob] Chase

(His age was about 60 years. Eds.)

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