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Clarendon

Rev. F. W. [B.] Peck, a much beloved ex-pastor of the Universalist church of this place died at his home in the Universalist parsonage at Olcott last week Friday, aged about 72 years. Deceased was an exemplary exponent of Christianity, a leader in his profession, a kind obliging neighbor and friend, a loving husband and a good citizen in every respect. Her many friends here join with your correspondent in extending the sincerest sympathy to the bereaved widow. Rev. E. L. Conklyn [Conklin] preached a very impressive sermon at the Universalist church on Sunday, touching upon the deepest memories of the late Elder Peck. Recently your correspondent received a letter from Mr. Peck, telling us that he was still a subscriber to the Holley Standard and with what earnest [sic] zeal he turned to the Clarendon items, indicating the deep interest he still held in the welfare of our town.

*Holley Standard*, Holley NY, Thu. 5 May 1892

Burtonsville.

Last Saturday evening Mr. F. S. Peck received a telegram from Olcott, Orleans Co., stating that his brother, Rev. F. B. Peck, was dead, and that the funeral services would be held at Lassellville, Fulton Co., on Wednesday of this week.

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NECROLOGY

FRANCIS BENSON PECK, born in Oppenheim, Fulton Co., N.Y., May 14, 1827, died at Olcott, N.Y., April 29, 1892. A student in theology with Rev. T. [Thomas] J. Sawyer at Clinton, N.Y., Mr. Peck was ordained at Braman's Corners, N.Y., Sept. 7, 1854. After four years' service at Braman's Corners, he located at East Hamilton, taking into his field of labor North Brookfield, Hubbardsville and Poolville. From thence he removed to Oxford, where for seven years he took the missionary field of the Chenango Association, in which he organized several new parishes. Subsequently he had pastorates in Cortland, Bristol, Clarendon, Olcott, supplying also at Cambria, all in the State of N.Y. A victim of disease for several years he persisted in his work until he fainted in the pulpit in January last, when he gave up and took to his bed from which he did not rise. He was a successful minister, was exceptionally gifted in prayer, and was greatly beloved wherever he made his home.

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