

[Ward, Samuel Roland]

NECROLOGY

SAMUEL ROLAND WARD, born in Sweden, Monroe Co., N.Y., December 27th, 1829, died at Richfield Springs, N.Y., June 13th, 1902. His education was received in the public schools and in early manhood he became a house carpenter, but in a few years after reaching his majority his attention was turned to the Christian ministry, to which he was ordained in Portageville, N.Y., October 6th, 1856. His first settlement was at Smithport, Pa., where he remained two years. Returning to the State of New York, in which he had all subsequent pastorates, he was first at Portageville, then at Rome and Lee Center, after that at Richfield Springs eleven years, then for a short time at Syracuse, at Middleville and Newport; returning to Richfield Springs twenty-five years ago, making in all, a pastorate of thirty-six years at that place. During those years he also had charge of several parishes in nearby localities. At the time of his death Springfield Center, Monticello and Cedarville were thus cared for by him. In all these places he "made full proof of his ministry" and his labors were greatly blessed. He was richly gifted as a "son of consolation," and as a comforter of the bereaved his services were in great demand on funeral occasions. A good man and true, faithful to every obligation, the Church he loved so well has, in his death, lost an able preacher and a devoted pastor.

*The Universalist Register*, Boston MA, 1903, p. 105

Transcribed on 27 Apr 2008 by Karen E. Dau of Rochester, NY