

[Alvord, Otis]

DEATHS.

In Carroll, Chautauque [old spelling] co., N.Y., after a protracted sickness which he bore with christian resignation, Maj. OTIS ALVORD, father of Rev. F. M. Alvord, in the 65th year of his age. The deceased was a native of Vermont—removed to Carroll in 1828, (then a new country,) and by his manly strength and persevering industry assisted in turning this rugged wilderness into fruitful fields. He early embraced the doctrine of God's universal grace; and through the labors, struggles and various vicissitudes of human life, he never lost sight of its cheering and hope-inspiring pathway through the narrow valley of the shadow of death. In a reply to a remark of his brother the day previous to his demise, he said his faith and hope were yet strong—he indulged no fear. He thus passed quietly from these sublunary shores to the possession of his higher and holier life. He has left an aged widow [Jerusha], a number of children [including Rev. Francis Milton, Frederick, Mary and Harriet], brothers and other relatives, with a numerous circle of friends to lament their bereavement; but they "mourn not as others who have no hope." His funeral was attended on the 9th, and a discourse delivered to a very numerous concourse of sympathizing friends, by the writer.

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