[Armstrong, James]

DEATHS

In Plymouth, Mich., April 19th, JAMES ARMSTRONG, aged 55 years. Br. Armstrong was formerly of Fairport, Monroe co., N.Y., and was a prominent member, and one of the principal supporters of the Universalist Society in that place. He had resided in the west but a few years; but here, as well as east he was extensively known in the vicinity where he resided as a devoted and uncompromising believer in the Great Salvation. He adorned the doctrine with a well ordered life, and vindicated its sustaining power by a patient endurance of long continued suffering, and by a quiet and hopeful death. He conversed freely with his friends on the subject of his departure, expressed his entire confidence in the truth of his long cherished convictions, arranged his temporal business with the utmost composure, and at last quietly yielded up his life to God who gave it. Br. Armstrong's character was eminently christian. In his business he was exact and honorable, and required the same fidelity in others. In his social and domestic relations he was kind and amiable. In his death his family have lost a kind friend and wise counselor, the community a valuable and exemplary citizen, and the denomination to which he belonged, a liberal supporter, and a firm and devoted friend. His companion, having been once before subjected to the same trial, and for a long time in feeble health, is still sustained by her unwavering confidence in the goodness of the Creator, and expects ere long to be called away to join the departed in a brighter and better world.—A son and daughter (by marriage) who watched over the deceased and ministered to his wants with faithful assiduity, will receive their reward in the consciousness of having faithfully performed their duty, under very trying circumstances, to one who was eminently worthy of their regard and affectionate attentions. The writer of this notice was present with the deceased during the last days of his life, and administered the consolations of the Gospel to his surviving friends.

W. E. M. [Manley]

Mr. James Armstrong

This excellent man and devoted Universalist departed this life on the 19th ultimo, in Plymouth, Mich. An obituary notice appears in our paper this week. Br. W. E. Manley, the writer of that notice, informs us that before his death, he bequeathed property amounting to two thousand dollars, his whole estate, to the Lombard College at Galesburg, Ill. It was a noble bequest, showing his strong love for the interests of our denomination, and for the progress of humanity.

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