

[Backus, Maria Coleman]

DEATHS.

In Nankin, Wayne county, Michigan, on the 10th of August last, Mr. Benjamin Coleman, aged 40 years. Mr. Coleman had formerly been a resident in the city of Rochester, but had removed to the far west, where he fell a victim to the cholera, which, in a few hours after its attack, brought him to his grave. In the death of this man, his wife was called to mourn the loss of a kind husband, his children a tender and affectionate father, and society a friend to liberal Christianity. After his departure, his wife and two children returned to Rochester, where, on the night of the 30th of November last, Mrs. Coleman and her daughter retired to rest as well as usual. Some time in the night Mrs. Coleman awoke, and found her daughter, Mrs. MARIA BACKUS, aged 17, in the agonies of death. Help was soon called but it was too late; some unknown cause had marked her for its prey; she fell like a flower before an untimely frost. Her husband, now on a journey to the East, may hear of her death and mourn her departed worth. She was a believer in the doctrine of a world's salvation. The writer of this article attended her funeral and delivered his message on that mournful occasion from 2 Cor. i:3,4.

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