[Bronson, Francis H.]

DEATHS.

In Clinton, Oneida co., N.Y., April 20, Mr. FRANCIS H. BRONSON, aged 26 years 4 months and 15 days. He was born in the town of Remsen, Oneida co., N.Y., and had been married only about a year. He lay sick with a malignant fever about four weeks. His young wife and a father [Benjamin], mother [Harriet], brother [Seymour] and sisters [including Cynthia, Hannah, Ava ? and Harriet], poignantly feel their loss. The deceased was a firm believer in the gospel of Universal salvation from sin and death. His remains were brought from Clinton to the town of Prospect, where he was best known, and here all those of a different religious faith acknowledge that his character, and conduct from his youth, was spotless and unexceptionable. That Mr. B. was very highly esteemed, is obvious from the fact that a number of young men, together with his employer, a carpenter in Clinton, accompanied by his wife, came all the way from that place with his body, and accounted it a privilege to drop a tear of sympathy at his grave. The panegyric which the great St. Paul pronounced on Righteous Abel,—(Heb. xi:4.) "He being dead yet speaketh;" might well apply to the life and actions of the deceased. The writer delivered his funeral sermon on Monday the 22d, in the Union church at Prospect, to the mourners, friends and citizens, then and there assembled, in which discourse he endeavored to show from Scripture, reason and history, that the Lord God Almighty in the plenitude of his own Infinite omnipotence and love, is constantly bringing light out of darkness, and good out of evil. Text, Genesis xlii:36, last clause.

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