

[Brown, Samuel]

DEATHS.

In the town of Groton, June 22, Mr. SAMUEL BROWN, in the 64th year of his age. His funeral was attended by the writer, June 24, in the Methodist church at Peruville. There was something in the mode of granting the use of said church, that was peculiarly frank and christian-like, and which I desire to record to the praise of those concerned. It appears that there is an old meeting-house on the opposite side of the street, which was formerly owned by the Methodists, but has been quite recently purchased by the few Universalists residing in that vicinity. In this house, the funeral of Mr. Brown was expected to have been held. The congregation had partly convened, although the procession had not yet arrived, when notice was given, that the Methodist house had been opened and offered for our use, as being more convenient and spacious than the other—and it was occupied accordingly. This instance of friendly feeling and christian courtesy, was all the more gratifying and refreshing from the fact that within the memory of others than the “oldest inhabitant” of Peruville, permission could not be obtained, for the occupancy of either of the churches by Universalists. We thank them, in behalf of the afflicted family, for whose accommodation the church was offered; with the assurance that the Universalists of that place will never be backward in reciprocating the favor, should opportunity present.

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