

[Canfield, Abraham]

DEATHS.

In Willett, Cortland co., N.Y., on the 10th ult., Mr. ABRAHAM CANFIELD, aged 72 years. Mr. C. became a resident of the town of Willett in 1813, being one of the first settlers, 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, which sustained him under all his trials and illuminated his pathway through the narrow valley of the shadow of death. As a neighbor, and a friend to suffering humanity, he was always ready to assist in comforting the sick and distressed and "him that had none to help." But he has gone. The angel of death came, and found him with his lamp of faith trimmed and burning, and he has been gathered home. He leaves a faithful wife [Dolly, 1754-1858] to mourn his departure, who for fifty years has been his companion, and a worthy family to mourn the loss of an indulgent parent.

His funeral was attended at the Universalist Church in Upper Lisle, on the 11th inst., and the consolation of the Gospel was tendered to the circle of mourners, and a large audience who assembled to pay the last tribute of respect to the departed, and to mingle their sympathies with the afflicted family, by the writer.

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