

[Clark, Flavius]

DEATHS.

In Mohawk, Herkimer county, on the 28th ult., FLAVIUS CLARK, Esq., in the 91st year of his age. Mr. Clark was one of the oldest inhabitants of the county, having been a soldier of the Revolution, and fought the early battles of freedom. He at an early day emigrated from New-England, and settled in this region. Having in his youth drank [sic] freely of the waters of liberty, he ever cherished a free and liberal spirit, both in civil and religious matters. He had been for many years a joyful and happy believer in the final holiness and happiness of the whole human family. He was also a worthy and exemplary member of the Masonic fraternity. He met his approaching dissolution with calm and joyful resignation. Having disposed of all his temporal affairs, he desired only to live to see the completion of the new Universalist church in Mohawk, (on the building of which he worked several days during the last summer,) and to have his funeral sermon preached therein. He made his choice of the writer of this notice for that service, requested to be buried in Masonic form, inviting the fraternity in the county to attend and partake of a dinner furnished at his expense. His wishes were all answered, and although the day of the funeral was stormy and inclement, a large concourse of people, including the Frankfort and Rockton lodges, and the citizens of the region generally, attended the new Universalist church, where the first sermon ever preached in that beautiful and neat edifice was delivered, in accordance with the request of the deceased, to a crowded and attentive audience. "The memory of the just is blessed."

D. S. [Dolphus Skinner]

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