[Collins, Caroline]

DIED, In Yorkshire, Cattaraugus county, Jan. 21st, Mrs. Caroline, wife of G. S. Collins, Esq., aged 38 years, 5 months and 4 days. She was a humble, devout, practical Christian. She embraced the doctrine of the Restitution in early life, and showed forth the beauty and sublimity of her faith by her untiring zeal for the spread of the truth. She was one of the first friends of universal grace in this place, and she continued firm and unshaken in her faith unto the last... She has left a large and respectable family, and a kind husband, who will deeply mourn their loss... Her funeral was attended on the 23d, at the Methodist church in Sardinia, and a discourse delivered by the writer to a large assemblage of neighbors and friends.

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[Collins, Caroline]

DIED, In Yorkshire, Cattaraugus county, April 18th, Caroline, daughter of George S. Collins, Esq., in the 14th year of her age. In this dispensation of Divine Providence, another bitter cup of sorrow has been poured into the already lacerated bosoms of this afflicted family. But a few short weeks had elapsed since they had followed to its resting place the remains of a well beloved wife and mother, when they were called to part with another bright gem from their domestic fireside. In the death of this lovely girl was witnessed a striking instance of the heavenly influence of Universalism. She had from her infancy been trained under the teachings of its blessed spirit, and taught to believe that the God of heaven and earth was...a Being who was not to be feared but loved. She had ever, until a few days previous to her death, enjoyed uninterrupted health, and in the blooming of her youth and beauty she was laid low upon the couch of death... With a sweet composure seldom witnessed in one of her tender age, she extended her hand to her father, and to her brothers and sisters, and bade them a final and affectionate farewell, with the assurance that she was going home to her Father and God, where she would meet them all again, and with them that fond mother, who had gone before her, around the throne of a God of love. Then with a calm resignation to the will of God, she fell asleep in Her funeral was attended on the 19th, and consolations of the Gospel tendered to the mourning relatives and friends by the writer.

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