

[Comstock, Henry]

Killed in the battle of Gettysburg, Pa., July 3, Mr. HENRY COMSTOCK of Sweden, N.Y., aged 21 years and 10 months. He was a volunteer in the 108th Regiment of N.Y.S.V., and passed safely through the battle until the third day, when he was shot directly through the heart. His remains now rest in the Gettysburg Cemetery. He was a noble young man and a brave soldier... Impelled to enter the army by genuine patriotism, he had evidently well considered the dangers of the battlefield, and made up his mind to meet them bravely... A rebel hand struck down the patriot soldier. But his blood has not been shed in vain...

A funeral service was held July 26 in Sweden in the Methodist church, which was kindly tendered for the occasion. The writer gave a sermon to a large and sympathizing audience. May God comfort his mourning father and bereaved brothers and sisters, with the hope of meeting him in the immortal land where war and parting are never known.

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[Rev. George Washington Montgomery of Rochester]

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