

[Cook, Charles]

DEATHS.

In Parma, Monroe county, Jan. 29th, Mr. CHARLES COOK, aged 21 years. Thus has another been taken from the world while in the morning of life. But his memory and his virtues are embalmed in the hearts of all that knew him. Being liberal in his views, benevolent in his feelings, and affable in his manners, he won for himself a good name. At an early age, death in its irresistible way robbed him of a kind father. But although thus deprived of a father's counsel and protection, he was still blessed with an intellectual and faithful mother, who spared no pains in directing his mind in the right channel, and in preparing him for future usefulness. He labored arduously to ascend the hill of science; and his native genius being favorable to the task, he excelled beyond the expectations of his friends.—But like many who have to depend mostly on their own exertions for means, he was compelled when young, before his physical organization was fully matured, to enter upon the exciting and laborious business of school teaching. It was here he laid the foundation of a disease which finally terminated his earthly career, and although his health was somewhat impaired by previous exertion, he could not forego the idea of acquiring a more thorough education. For this purpose he entered the Clinton Liberal Institute. But after pursuing his studies six months, on account of his declining health he reluctantly left to seek medical aid. He often spoke of the institution in the highest terms of commendation. He thought it must continue to prosper while under the control of Mr. [Rev. Thomas J.] Sawyer and lady [Caroline Sawyer]. Mr. Talmadge, his step father, felt a deep interest in his recovery and no pains was [sic] spared to affect it—but death had marked him for its victim and human skill proved unavailing. His remains were carried to York, Livingston county, and interred there beside his father and brother. The Baptists opened their house for the funeral services where the writer tendered the consolations of the Gospel to a large and attentive congregation. May the friends [i.e. family] be sustained under this deep affliction that what to them may seem a loss, is to the departed a gain of invaluable magnitude.

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