

[Cook, Lemuel]

DEATHS.

In Lewiston, N.Y., November 24, Mr. LEMUEL COOK, in the 79th year of his age. In this dispensation of divine Providence, another of our Revolutionary fathers has fallen asleep in death. But he has left his children not only the national liberty for which he struggled, but he has left them in the enjoyment of that more glorious liberty, the freedom of the mind. This enables them to look to their Father in heaven as the friend of all his intelligent creatures, and to rejoice in the assurance that they shall again meet their father and mother in heaven. This faith had been the staff and stay of the deceased throughout a long life, for he told me that he embraced it by hearing [Rev. John] Murray preach soon after the war. And by his moral worth he has left an everlasting refutation of the oft repeated assertion, that a belief in a world's salvation leads to licentiousness. By his perfect composure through his sickness, and resignation in the hour of death, he has given ample testimony to the peace-giving influence of his faith in the hour of death. The funeral was attended on the 26th, when the consolations of the Gospel were tendered by the writer to a large congregation of neighbors and friends.

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