

[Coon, Ebenezer S.]

DIED—Suddenly, in Troy, on the 23d ult., Mr. EBENEZER S. COON, aged 23. This dispensation is most severely felt and deeply lamented by a youthful widow, who was permitted to enjoy but a short time, connubial felicity with her worthy and affectionate husband, who had endeared himself to her by every kind attention which was calculated to cement their union, and render its dissolution painful... Only a few months previous to his death he became the open believer and supporter of the doctrine of Universal grace, which seemed to afford his naturally compassionate heart unspeakable pleasure. When released from business, he took much satisfaction in devoting his leisure moments to religious conversation with his wife—and was happy in seeing his efforts gradually removing her doubts, and producing in her the conviction that the doctrine which he had embraced was the truth of God... When he joined himself to the Universalist society, they were fully sensible that they had received a valuable acquisition to their number; and by them his early removal to the tomb is sincerely lamented. We ought, also, to mention that in his death, a widowed mother is deprived of an affectionate son, and from whom she fondly expected to receive essential assistance in the decline of life—whose attentions, in a measure, would alleviate the burdens of age. Other near relations mourn his loss. But may all who feel interested in this dispensation, be fully persuaded that their loss is his gain. May they perpetuate the memory of his amiable character, by copying his virtues—and may the mercies of that God in whom he trusted, abundantly console and faithfully bless them.

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