

[Cory, Holder]

Deaths.

In Cooperstown, Sept. 28, Deacon Holder Cory, aged 62 years. There is a void in our community, a void in our church, in our Sabbath School, in our choir. He who was never known to turn his back upon conscious duty has passed away; he to whom all labor for the Christian cause was a pleasure, has gone to his rest. He was a man to whose praise when living none were silent, and whose death is recognized as a general calamity. As a merchant, he was characterized by promptness, energy and integrity; as a neighbor, by kindness; as a citizen, by fidelity to public trusts. To the poor, he was an unostentatious friend; and at the bedside of the sick, none were more frequent. On all lips is the verdict, "he was a good man." Mr. Cory was a devoted Universalist. He aided the first efforts to plant the faith in this community, and he assisted in its culture to the day of his death. None more than he rejoiced in its prosperity, and none more than he contributed to that end. He was denominational in his spirit; and he frequently represented the Cooperstown society in the councils of the Otsego Association (beginning with the year that association was organized) and several times had a seat in the State Convention. Worth gave him every position he ever held; for no man was more unassuming. But in his family it was that his real excellence appeared. He was gentle and tender as a child; so securing the ardent love of his household that his wishes sufficed for commands. Sons [Ellery P. and Henry W.] and daughters [Nancy H., Julia M., Frances P., Amanda B., Mary, Ellen L., Caroline A. and Edna Grace] live to pattern his virtues, and a widow [Edna Maria] to cherish his memory.

C. W. T. [Rev. Charles Welden Tomlinson]

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