

[Crandall, Alanson D.]

DEATHS.

In the town of Greene, on the 8th inst., Col. ALANSON D. CRANDALL, in the 33d year of his age.

A strong and well cultivated mind and an amiable and obliging disposition, combined with the strictest integrity and morality, secured for the deceased the sincere esteem of all his relatives and acquaintances. None knew him but to love him; and the loss suffered by his death will be long and deeply felt, and widely deplored.

...As a Christian he reposed strong confidence in God's unbounded and unchanging goodness, and his unspotted life, godly conversation and triumphant death, powerfully exemplify the influence of the doctrine of universal benevolence and grace.—During a very protracted illness, he was cheerful and resigned, and enjoyed greater consolation than he believed any different views could possibly impart. But [only] a day or two previous to his death, he assured those who surrounded him, that he had full confidence in a universal Saviour, and that he should [would] meet them in heaven. He requested that the Rev. Mr. [John Temple] Goodrich should preach a strong doctrinal sermon at his funeral, and inform the world that he died firm in the faith of universal salvation. And in the full possession of his reason, without a doubt or a fear, a struggle or a groan, he calmly and peacefully fell asleep in Jesus. So lived and died a Universalist.

He is gone! With him the dream of life is over, and the storms of adversity and the troubles that checker the path of humanity, are past forever! His body sweetly reposes beneath the clods of the valley, and his spirit has exchanged the vestments of earth for a better world, radiant with immortal beauty, and glowing with unfading splendor and loveliness. But his memory remains. The deep solemnity of the vast concourse of people, without distinction of sect, who followed his remains to the grave, proves it to be engraven upon the tablets of their hearts.

May his parents, brothers and sisters, and all his connexions and friends, look forward to a happy period when they shall again be reunited with him—where friends no more shall part, farewells no more be spoken, and happiness no more be dimmed by the sorrows and separations of time.—

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