[Crane, Lyman]

DEATHS

At Clifton Springs, on the 11th inst., Mr. LYMAN CRANE, aged 52 years, 3 months and 19 days. He had resided at Clifton [Springs] for nearly a quarter of a century, and was one of the most prominent and influential citizens of that place. Upright and honorable in all his dealings, exemplary in his habits, truthful and candid in his conversation, kind and friendly in his intercourse with society, and benevolent and charitable in his feelings, his departure from life was deplored by all classes. Probably no individual could have been called away, who would be more missed by the entire community in which he resided, than the deceased. He was one of the most active in forming the Universalist Society at Clifton Springs, and in erecting their church, a few years since; and has ever been engaged, and zealous, and liberal in the bestowment of his means, to build up the gospel of God's impartial grace in that place. For many years he was a firm believer in Christ as the Saviour of the world, and although his sickness was protracted to several months, and was often very painful, yet his faith was not weakened in the slightest degree. As long as he retained the healthy exercise of his faculties he found great peace in its divine assurances; and it enabled him to contemplate the approach of death with a calm and unruffled spirit. His funeral was attended on the 13th inst. A very large audience of neighbors and friends manifested by their presence the respect they bore the character and memory of the departed. May the blessings of God, and the rich consolations of the Gospel of Christ, comfort the widow [Phebe] and the son [William] and the daughter [Emily] who have been called to mourn the loss of their most loving and devoted earthly friend.

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