

[Grandy, William James]

DEATHS.

In Lincoln township, Delaware county, Ohio, February 25th, 1843, (after a long and tedious illness,) of scrofulous consumption, WILLIAM JAMES GRANDY, eldest son of Wm. and Celinda Grandy, in the 20th year of his age. His health has been delicate for some two years. The family removed from New York to Ohio in the fall of 1842. The son being unable to accompany the family by land, took a water passage. We had (say the surviving relatives) strong hopes that the journey would improve his health, but were disappointed. He said he had strength given him according to his day until he arrived at Cardington, O., where he had numerous relatives, with whom he visited a short time, when his health began rapidly to decline; and when the family arrived, they found him confined to his room. He seemed for a time to cling to life, as he said, that he might be able to pay a debt of gratitude he owed to his parents, for what they had done for him. About a week previous to his departure, his mind became reconciled and calm, and he even seemed in an ecstasy at the thoughts of being released from this clay tenement, to join the heavenly hosts in singing the song of Moses, and the Lamb, and chanting the praises of the Most High God. He was a great lover of music, and observed to his friends that *there*, there would be no tuning of voices, but that each voice on entering there would immediately be tuned with love. Some writing he left behind, considering his age and chance of improvement, seem to indicate that he would have been an ornament to society, and most probably a Universalist minister; in fact he had expressed as much to his friends, frequently.

The survivors will not mourn as those who have no hope (at least a goodly portion of them,) because they look forward, by the eye of faith, through the dark valley, to the time when "all shall be made alive in Christ,"—when songs and anthems of salvation shall be sung by every tongue—when shouts of victory, VICTORY, shall resound through the vast, the boundless universe of God.

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