

[Hart, Semantha]

DIED—of pulmonary consumption, at Clinton, Dec. 28, 1829, Miss SEMANTHA HART, aged 20 years.

She was attacked with this dreadful disease, about six years since, which after nearly or quite consuming one lobe of her lungs, suspended its ravages, and she gradually recovered a very comfortable state of health. It however again made its appearance in the course of the summer past, and induced a rapid decline. She was probably not aware of the near approach of death—spoke of drowsiness—and fell asleep, to wake no more until she shall be called to put on a deathless body.

She was amiable and affectionate, modest and sensible, and uncommonly patient under sufferings, and received from all who knew her, respect, kindness and esteem.

She was undoubtedly a firm believer in the doctrine of universal grace and salvation, and constantly attended upon the meetings of the Universalist congregation, from which no efforts of those who were opposed to that doctrine, could ever dissuade her.

The universal respect shown to this young lady, should inspire the youth with confidence, that the honest perseverance in what is believed to be duty, if accompanied by virtue, will command the respect of community.

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