

[Haskell, Daniel C.]

DEATHS.

At Madrid, on Saturday the 18th inst., Mr. DANIEL C. HASKELL, after an illness of about eleven months, in the 52d year of his age; leaving an amiable wife and children to mourn his loss. Mr. Haskell had for many years been a believer in that doctrine, which alone can give complete victory in the hour of death. He possessed that "faith which works by love, and purifies the heart." He had been an active member and ornament of the Universalist society in the town in which he resided. He had for some weeks previous to his death given up all hopes of recovery; and while in conversation with his wife, but a few days previous to his death, he expressed his wish and willingness to depart, by reciting the most of Mr. [Elhanan] Winchester's farewell Hymn. The consolations of the Gospel were tendered to the mourners and friends by the writer of this article, from Rom. xiv:8,9. The large concourse of people who came to the house of mourning, to pay their last respects to this worthy man, showed that he had many friends and was much beloved; and the expression of every countenance taught that the effusion of the heart was, "Help, Lord, for the godly man ceaseth, etc."

I am constrained to mention a circumstance in relation to the above, which is painful to name. As it was believed that the dwelling house of Mr. H. would not well hold the congregation, Dr. C. R. Pierce requested the liberty of the meeting-house belonging to the First Congregational society in Madrid, (toward the building of which many Universalists had contributed,) to accommodate the people at the funeral; but he was scornfully refused. He then offered five dollars to one of the deacons of that church if he would open, or cause to be opened, the meeting-house on the occasion; but it was all to no effect. This is the *third time* that the meeting-house has been refused to accommodate mourners and friends, in paying their last respects to their deceased relatives. Comment is unnecessary.

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