

[Hawkins, Hubert & Jennie]

Deaths.

In Pittsfield, Otsego co., N.Y., Aug. 19, 1861, JENNIE HAWKINS, aged 9 years. Also, Sept. 23, 1861, HUBERT HENRY HAWKINS, aged 12 years and 2 months. Thus in little more than one month have these parents been deprived of the earthly society of two of their children. They were both children of much promise, but that most dreaded disease, diphtheria, has destroyed their mortal lives. But there is one thing no disease can destroy, namely, the memory of our children, and the earnest love they have awakened in our bosoms. These children were great favorites in the Sabbath School, and in the neighborhood, especially little Herbert [sic]. He was one of those boys who "never told a lie," as his mother said; and if he found himself in the company of boys who would whisper and play in church, he never would be found with them again. He was fond of the worship of the Father, and delighted to mingle his sweet voice in songs of praise. But he has, with his little sister, been called up higher, to sing the songs of the heavenly land with that pure throng which Jesus delighted to bless. May the good Parent of the world impart the comforting tidings of the gospel to the minds of their parents, and may this severe tax upon their affections teach them to "look aloft" to the "sweet home" to which their treasures are gone. The writer attended their funeral on the 25th of September.

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