## [Houpt<sup>1</sup>, Cornelius F.]

## DEATHS.

In Stark, Herkimer co., March 23d, CORNELIUS F. HOUPT, son of Henry Houpt, of Danube, aged 16 years, 10 months and 9 days. He and a younger brother were on a visit to their grand parents. For the sake of sport, he took a gun to go into the woods, where they were boiling sap. In attempting to get over a stone wall, he carelessly placed the gun over before him. It slipped partly away from him, and as he attempted to recover it, he drew it up against the wall, so as to draw back the hammer, not sufficient to cock it, but so as to return it with sufficient force to explode the percussion cap and fire the gun.—The charge entered just below the breast bone, went through the heart, and lodged underneath the shoulder blade. He had an amiable disposition, was active and intelligent, and the idol of his parents. He was a fine scholar, beloved in the school, and in the whole neighborhood. The writer of this notice was called to minister the consolations of the Gospel at Newville, on the 25th, to the mourners, and some five hundred sympathetic friends and listeners.

A. P.

Christian Ambassador, Auburn NY, Sat. 17 May 1851 (a Universalist newspaper)

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Perhaps this should be correctly spelled Haupt??