

[Johnson, Betsey]

DEATHS.

In the town of Plymouth, April 27th, of consumption, BETSEY JOHNSON, daughter of Amos and Betsey Johnson, aged 16 years. Thus in the brief space of four years, our afflicted brother and sister have consigned to the tomb three daughters [the other two having been Harriet, age 27, on 17 Mar 1837 and Eliza, age 22, on 2 Dec in that same year]. It was their fervent desire that the subject of this notice—the youngest and last remaining one—might be spared to cheer and comfort them by her filial affection, in their declining years; but death had marked her for his prey, and no human arm could save. Her soul was the seat of purity and virtue; her conversation and her thoughts were in heaven. As the time of her departure drew near, the grave became divested of its terrors, and the end of life temporal she contemplated as an introduction to life everlasting, and joys eternal. May the hope of the final redemption of all the offspring of God, which was the happiness and portion of their child, be the solace and support of the bereaved parents; and enable them to realize, that although some of the Divine dispensations may appear dark and mysterious while here, yet in the end they shall be able to say, "Our Father in heaven hath done all things well."

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