

[Low, Alvin C.]

DEATHS.

In Canton, June 27th, after a protracted and painful illness of from three to four weeks, Br. ALVIN C. LOWE, the County Clerk of St. Lawrence Co., in the 43d year of his age, leaving a most worthy and amiable companion and five young children, to mourn their great and irreparable loss. Br. Lowe was one of our most respected citizens, and a most excellent and generous member of the Universalist society in Canton, and we deeply sorrow that we shall see his face no more.

The Hon. Silas Wright, who furnished his obituary notice for our county paper, says of Br. Low, "that he has been four times elected to the same office by the voluntary suffrages of the freemen of the county that he has served three full terms of three years each, and that his election for the fourth was by a stronger vote than he had ever before received."

"In constant devotion to the duties of his office, and a prompt and accurate discharge of them, no word of complaint has been heard against Mr. Law. All who have transacted business at the Clerk's office, every Judge who has held a seat upon the bench of our Common Pleas Court, every Circuit Judge who has held our Circuit Court, and every member of the bar of our own county, and of the adjoining counties, whose practice has led them to attend our courts, will cheerfully give evidence as to the kind deportment, the untiring faithfulness of our Clerk, and the neat and orderly and accurate manner in which every official duty was discharged."

"The funeral of Mr. Low was unostentatious, but most gratifying to us, as it must have been to his numerous mourning relatives. The long line of worthy citizens of Canton, who so cheerfully presented themselves to bear in their arms and upon their shoulders, the remains of their cherished friend to the last resting place, and the almost equally long line of ladies of the village and surrounding country, who followed the slow and solemn procession, presented the richest tribute of departed worth, and tried and approved virtue; and when enclosed within these extended lines of friends, we noticed several of the Judges and ex-Judges of our county courts, several of our ex-Sheriffs with their deputies, and those of the present Sheriff, quite a number of the members of the Bar of the county, many of whom, as well as several Judges had come from the remotest parts of the county to pay this last tribute of respect to our lamented Clerk, and this line closed by the present deputy Clerk and his assistants, the whole moving in silence, and solemnity, and order, under the direction of our present Sheriff—we confess that the impression was deeply made upon our mind and feelings, that no amount of parade and pomp could have offered so appropriate a funeral to so worthy a man, and so universally lamented a public officer."

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The services of the funeral above alluded to, were held in the Universalist church in Canton, at 3 o'clock P.M. on Thursday, June 29th, where the writer delivered [a] discourse to that very large and solemn audience, assisted in the services by Brs. [Seth] Jones, Abbott and [Job] Potter.

W. [William] H. Waggoner

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