

[Marsh, William B.]

DIED

On Thursday, February 26th, of congestion of the liver, WILLIAM B. MARSH, late editor of the *Brooklyn Eagle*, aged 33 years and 6 months.

The Funeral services will take place in the Universalist Church, corner of Fulton and Pineapple sts., To-morrow (Sunday) afternoon, at 2 o'clock. The body will then be removed to the Greenwood cemetery for burial. The friends of Mr. Marsh, generally, are respectfully requested to attend the services, without further invitation.

The Brethren of Columbia Lodge No. 1, and the Independent Order of Odd Fellows generally—also the members of the New York Typographical Society—are fraternally invited to be present.

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William B. Marsh, born in Exeter, N. H., had his convictions of Universalism confirmed, when quite a lad, by the ministry of Rev. Thomas F. King in Portsmouth. He came to New York as a journeyman printer, and he and Horace Greeley were for some time compositors in the same office, and were hearty friends. His talent as a journalist put him in charge of the *Brooklyn Eagle* as editor in 1841, and there he continued to the end. He was an exception to the rule (if it be a rule) that party-political interests interfere with higher and nobler associations. With him home came first, and then the Church. Around these were the groups of friendship and love—and beyond, all that pertains to business. I do believe he was one of the pure in heart. He departed this life February 26, 1846, in the thirty-third year of his age.

Abel C. Thomas, *A Century of Universalism in Philadelphia and New-York, Sketches of Its History in Reading [PA], Hightstown [NJ] Brooklyn and Elsewhere* (Philadelphia: 1872), p. 335