

[Nielson, Sophia Patrick]

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The angel of death visited our village some days ago and called to her eternal rest one of our oldest inhabitants, Mrs. Sophia Nielson. This highly respected lady has been a resident of this village for many years and numbered among her large circle of acquaintances many warm friends who will greatly miss her. Mrs. Nielson had reached the age of 92 years. She was born in Herkimer Dec. 17, 1800. Her maiden name was Sophia Patrick. When she was sixteen years old she married Doctor David Nielson, who was a surgeon in the war of 1812 and died in 1828 at Brownville, leaving his young widow and five children, all of whom are now dead except one daughter, Mrs. Elisha Parker of this village. Mrs. Nielson has made her home with her daughter for a great many years. She was a life-long member of the Universalist church. There were before her death five generations, all her direct descendants. The funeral was largely attended, Rev. H. Rice officiating. The floral offerings were very beautiful.

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