

[Pierport, David Andrew & Sarah Elizabeth Phillips]

NOT LONG SEPARATED
DEATH OF MR. AND MRS. DAVID A. PIERPONT
AND A DOUBLE FUNERAL AT THEIR LATE HOME

On Tuesday of this week occurred the double funeral of Mr. and Mrs. David A. Pierpont from their late home, about three and one-half miles northeast of this village, the Rev. L. D. Boynton [Universalist] of Bristol officiating. David Andrew Pierpont was born at Middlebury, Vt., Nov. 19, 1815, the son of David and Sally Palms Pierpont, and came with his parents to western New York when but three months of age. His first night in the town of Richmond was passed in the house in which he died, then occupied by Judge and Mrs. Lemuel Chipman, friends of the family. They located at Allen's Hill, where as a boy he attended the district school and later he was a student of Canandaigua academy and also of Temple Hill, Geneseo.

When about 21 years of age he began business at Allen's Hill in general merchandise, where he remained until his marriage, Sept. 28, 1843, to Miss Sarah Elizabeth Phillips. Soon after his marriage he removed to Honeoye, entering the mercantile business in the store now occupied by E. W. Gilbert, also taking charge of the flouring mills and saw mill in this place. In 1852 he moved to the farm where he has since lived and where he died. To Mr. and Mrs. Pierpont were born three children, one of whom, a son John, was removed by death in early childhood. In politics Mr. Pierpont has always been a staunch democrat, never having missed voting at a Presidential election since he cast his first ballot. Although the town in which he lived was strongly Republican, Mr. Pierpont was several times elected to the highest office with which it could honor him, that of supervisor, which office he filled with credit and honor. He received the nomination for member of assembly from his district three times and that for member of congress once, but owing to the great minority of his party, was defeated. He was a man of strong moral character, broad and liberal mind, was interested in educational matters, active and helpful in church life. He was the last of a family of four children.

Mrs. Pierpont was the daughter of Captain and Mrs. Joshua Phillips, who came to this town from Dighton, Mass., in 1803, settling on the farm known as the Carlton Slight farm, where she was born May 17, 1823. When she was 6 years of age her parents removed to the farm which has been her home the greater part of her life and where she died. She was the last of a family of four children. Both Mr. and Mrs. Pierpont were of the old sturdy New England stock, of sterling character, and highly respected by all who knew them. Comparatively few couples have lived together through so long a period of married life, and to fewer still is given the privilege of going to their long home together. Only ten and one-half hours intervened between

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their death[s], Mrs. Pierpont passing away at 4:30 Saturday afternoon and Mr. Pierpont at 3 o'clock Sunday morning. It was as they wished. Mrs. Pierpont was ill about three weeks. Mr. Pierpont had recovered from a short illness, when he fell last Thursday, resulting in concussion of the brain, from which he died. The burial was in Lake View cemetery, side by side in a double grave. They leave two children, one son, David O. Pierpont, who lived at home, and one daughter, Mrs. Carrie Green, widow of Dr. L. [Lewis] E. Green, of this place, also one grandson, Pierpont Green, to whom is extended the sympathy of a wide circle of friends.

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