[Sharp, Graty Maine]

DEATHS.

In Hume, Allegany county, April 8th, of consumption, Mrs. GRATY, consort of the Rev. I. B. [Ichabod Blakesley] Sharp, and daughter of Paul B. and Lydia Maine, aged 24 years, 3 months and 21 days. Thus we see death performing his ministry from day to day. The tenderest ties are severed by his power, and the loved ones are gone, to greet us no more on earth. This dispensation has taken the bosom companion from our esteemed Brother, in the morning of her life, and sorrow must fill his heart. But he sorrows not without hope. That Gospel which he has successfully proclaimed to others, under like circumstances, gives him consolation in his time of need. And its reconciling power was beautifully exhibited in the life and death of our departed sister. Although she was young, she had lived long enough to receive a religious faith, which could rob death of its gloom, and the grave of its darkness. Her hope was anchored in heaven, and death to her was but the door to future glory. She lived beloved, and died to be lamented. Her funeral was attended at Cole Creek, in the Presbyterian church, Sunday morning, April 10th, by a very large collection of people, when a sermon was delivered by the writer.

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