[Simmons, John P.]

DEATHS.

In Auburn, N.Y. on the 2nd inst., Mr. John P. Simmons, aged 37 years. The deceased was a Keeper in the Auburn State Prison. He was a man of unbending integrity, and great benevolence of heart. As a Keeper he was mild and gentle in his management of convicts; and yet the discipline in his shop was not excelled in any apartment of the prison. His remains were removed for burial¹ to Homer, N.Y., his recent place of residence. May the consolations of the Gospel sustain and comfort the wife [Dilla] and children [including Lovina J., Harriet R. and Margaret M.], who have thus quite suddenly been called to taste the bitter cup of sorrow.

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¹ West Hill Cemetery