

[Thompson, Aenos]

DEATHS.

In Warren, Herkimer county, July 7th, 1844, Mr. AENOS THOMPSON, aged 55 years. Mr. T. was a firm and unwavering believer in the great truth which has been "spoken by the mouth of all the holy prophets, since the world began." From the beginning to the end of his sickness (eight weeks,) he bore all his pains without a murmur, manifesting an anxious desire to leave this world of pain and be at rest with his God. When disease first prostrated him upon his bed of sickness, he expressed to his wife his own doubts of recovery, and further informed her, that should he renounce the sentiment of Universalism which he had always entertained, she should be the first one whom he would communicate such renunciation. He seemed always very happy and spent most of his time in silent or secret prayer. His immediate connections entertaining sentiments opposed to his own, seemed astonished at his perfect composure, and soon by them the story was rumored that he had renounced his Universalism. Such news was immediately made known to him, at which he seemed perfectly astonished.—And on being asked if it was true, he replied, "No! I am as firm as I have always been." He continued to be firm and happy to the last, and died a believer in the final meeting and happiness of all mankind. He chose Bro. Woolley to preach his sermon, but as he was absent at that time, he consented to have it preached by Rev. Hiram Hutchins, a Baptist minister, (though a liberal one,) who delivered a discourse to the mourning friends, (giving all the consolation his sentiments would allow,) from Job xix: 21. May the widow and mourners be consoled by the gospel—live as he lived, virtuous and benevolent, and die as he died, a Christian, peaceful and happy.

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