[Branchport]

LOCAL CORRESPONDENCE BRANCHPORT AND VICINITY

__The real estate which belonged to the Branchport Universalist Church Society, was sold at auction a few days ago. It was a farm of about 50 acres, half a mile or so north of Branchport. Several years ago the house on the premises was burned down. It was for a long time the property of Casper Hibbard, until his death. At the auction the property was bid off to Guy Herries, for \$2300. It joins his land on the north.

__The Universalist church at Branchport is no more, the edifice being completely dismantled, the material of which goes into the construction and repair of other buildings elsewhere. It was a neat and commodious structure, and during the life of its founder, Peter H. Bitely, there was a flourishing membership and the maintenance of a regular pastor. Rev. D. C. Reilly was the last regular minister and he was gifted with rare intellectual endowments.

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