

[Pitman, George]

DEATHS.

At Gravesville, Herkimer county, on the 4th inst., Mr. GEORGE PITMAN, aged 35 years and 10 months, after a brief and distressing illness. Br. Pitman was a firm believer in the doctrine of Universal Grace. Throughout his short but painful sickness of a few weeks, he exhibited strong patience, and resignation to the Divine will, trusting in the infinite love of Almighty God, until flesh and spirit were separated by the same hand which united them together at the first.—The light of universal salvation illuminated his pathway, and enabled him to tread the “valley of the shadow of death” not only without fear, but with composure. His widow, aged father, brothers, sisters, and relatives, deplore his loss, and feel unspeakable anguish at his removal from them. But it is pleasant to add that they are measurably consoled by that “hope” which the glorious Gospel of Universal Salvation inspires; and that they all sincerely believe that the light of this doctrine shall triumph.... Br. Pitman’s funeral was attended at the Universalist church in Gravesville, on Wednesday the 6th inst., when an appropriate sermon was delivered by Br. R. [Richard] Eddy, of Rome, in the absence of the writer, to a large congregation, who assembled on the occasion, to testify their esteem and respect for departed worth and excellence.

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