

HERMAN BENNETT

Herman Bennett departed this life Nov 7, 1891. aged 72 years, 10 mo and 23 days.

Deceased was born in Steuben Co., NY, Dec 14, 1818, and came with his parents to Washington, Macomb Co., in June '23. From thence his father removed to Royal Oak in '32, from thence to Stony Creek in '35, and in '88 to Rochester, where Mr. B. had resided up to the time of his death, with the exception of three years in Troy. He was united in marriage to Miss Elizabeth Lacy, Oct. 6, '42, two children being the fruit of this union – a daughter who died 26 years ago, and a son, Richard J. who now resides in this village.

Deacon Bennett was baptized January 4, 1844, and with his wife united with the Rochester Cong'l Church May 1, '59. He was elected deacon in 1881, which office he held to the day of his death with credit to himself and to the church.

As to his Christian life and integrity, all who knew him can testify. As a good citizen and a man of unwonted judgement, he was respected by all, and in his death it can be said that a good man has fallen.

For many weary months he had suffered as few are called upon to suffer, yet up to about five weeks previous to his death he was seen almost daily upon the street, so strong was his will power and so persistent his battle with the fearful malady (Bright's disease) that was sapping his life. He died as the Christian dies, full of hope and trust in the life to come. The funeral was held from the Cong'l church, Rev. P. Schermerhorn conducting the services, assisted by Rev. W. J. Campbell. The floral tributes were rare and beautiful. His remains were deposited besides those of his daughter in Rochester Cemetery.

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