

H. M. LOOK, Sr.

Deacon Henry Marshall Look was the eighth of nine children born to Henry and Hepsbah Farnsworth, who before his birth had removed from Massachusetts to Sanfield, Oneida, NY.

His great-grandmother on his mother's side was a descendant of Handel, the great musical composer who lived to be 100 years, 1 month and 4 days. Her eldest son lived to be 99 years 4 mos of age, and was engaged in the French and Revolutionary Wars. The grandmother died at 50, of consumption; three of the children lived to be past 95 and all lived to beyond 80 years of age.

Dea. Look was born Dec 27, 1804, at Oneida Co., NY. He taught school a number of years in New York. His mother died when he was a child.

He was married to miss Aner Hopkins and joined his father at Farmer's Creek, Lapeer Co., Mich, in '34. he was the father of four children, only one of whom survives him.

He moved to Avon tp. In '54, some four years after the death of his wife Aner.

In 1852 he married Mrs. Jane Baldwin. In 1875 they moved to his late residence in Rochester, where she died in 1885.

From childhood Dea. Look was a devout Christian. In the early history of the State, when churches and preachers were scarce, the people met at a private house for worship, and he filled the office of sermon reader for several years.

Under Territorial government he was appointed Probate Judge. He also served as Justice of the Peace of Avon, and President of Rochester village.

Mr. Look was deserving of credit for the cultivation of his intellect. A man somewhat hasty and passionate by nature, he often mourned over the experiences which it bro't him; but not one was more ready to ask forgiveness and seek amends. He was conscientious to a fault.

The doctrines of the Bible were well understood by him, and the Bible was his rule of faith and practice.

The Church will miss him as a wise counselor, and the community a pure citizen. He suffered much and patiently waited the end, yet anxious to go.

He died Monday, August 1<sup>st</sup>, at 2pm, aged 82 years, 8 mos and 4 days. A large audience assembled at the funeral at the Cong'l Church, last Tuesday, the 2d, at 3 ½ pm. Rev. Wm. Hollinshed preached the sermon from Mathew xiii:43 – 'Then shall the righteous shine forth as the sun in the Kingdom of their father'. There was a profusion of flowers;

a sheaf of wheat on the casket, and a sickle of flowers spoke eloquently of a rich and full harvest. His pew, which he had occupied for 34 years, was draped and will be kept so for 30 days. The remains were interred in Rochester Cemetery.

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