

Bergey, Elizabeth, 1853-1855, Lansing Republican,
August 14 1855, p. 3

Died,

August 8th, **ELEZABETH**, youngest daughter
of Henry and Fanny Bergey, aged 2 years, 2 mos.
and 16 days.

Bowerman, Rebekah, 1849- 1855, Lansing Republican,
October 30 1855, p. 3

Died,

In this place, on the 19th inst., **REBEKAH
BOWERMAN**, aged 6 years, 2 months and 20
days.

Bush, Benjamin, 1776-1855, Lansing Republican,
September 4 1855, p. 3

In Delta. Aug. 29, BENJ. T. BUSH, aged 77
years, 3 months and 11 days,

Calkins, Mabel, 1795-1855, Lansing Republican
November 6 1855, p. 3


Died,

At the residence of Thomas Treat, Esq., in the township of Delhi, October 26th, Mrs. **MABEL CALKINS**, in the 60th year of her age.

Chapman, Florence Rosella, 1854-1855
Lansing Republican, October 16 1855,p. 3

In this village on the 1st of October, **FLOR-
ENCE ROSELLA**, youngest daughter of **Wm. H.**
and **JULIA CHAPMAN**, aged 18 months.

Clinton, Catherine, 1782-1855, Lansing Republican,
July 24 1855, p. 3

 Mrs. CATIARINE CLINTON, widow
of De Witt Clinton, died at Poughkeep-
sie on the 2d inst., aged 72 years. She
was universally beloved, and tenderly
cherished the memory of her distinguish-
ed husband.

Collins, Lucy Ann, 1824-1855, Lansing Republican,
November 13 1855, p. 3

In this village, Oct. 19th, of Consumption, Lu-
CY ANN, wife of Rev. J. W. COLLINS, aged 30
years.

Elliot, Eva Angeline, 1855, Lansing Republican,
July 31 1855,p. 3

In Lansing, on the 22d inst., **EVA ANGELINE**, youngest daughter of Edward and Susan Elliott, aged 7 months and 11 days.

Her life was like the dew-drop,

That glitters on the rose ;

Her spirit, like the timid dove,

In heaven has found repose.

Everitt, Clara Emiline, 1776-1855, Lansing Republican,
September 4 1855, p. 3

Died,

In Lansing, August 18th, CLARA EMILINE,
daughter of Ransom and Phebe Everitt, aged 2
years, 4 months and 10 days.

Gumbrecht, Henry, 1846-1855, Lansing Republican,
November 13 1855, p. 3

In Lansing, on the 6th inst., HENRY, son of
Wm. and Helena Gumbrecht, aged 9 years and
5 months.

Hascall, Elizabeth L, 1855, Lansing Republican,
October 16 1855, p. 3

Died,

In Milwaukee, on the 3d inst., ELIZABETH
L., wife of HERMAN E. HASCALL.

Hood, Laura Jennie, 1851-1855, Lansing Republican,
July 17 1855, p. 3

Died,

In this village on Sabbath morning, the 15th instant, LAURA JENNIE, eldest daughter of GEO. F. and MARY L. HOOD, aged four years and sixteen days.

DEATH OF GEN BISSEL HUMPHREY.

GEN. BISSEL HUMPHREY died at his residence in Kalamazoo, on Saturday morning last, at 4 o'clock A. M. after a painful and lingering illness of many days—and although it was hoped for several of the first days of his illness that he would recover, the worst fears of his friends were realized at that time. His disease was congestion of the lungs.

Gen. Humphrey was born in Connecticut in 1792, and when quite young came to Batavia in New York, where he engaged in the staging business and was interested in the line running from Rochester to Buffalo, and other important points in Western New York prior to the construction of the railroad, which have so emphatically marked the progress of that State. While residing in Batavia, in about the year 1831, he married his present wife—a daughter of Major Ganson, a gentleman well known at this period throughout N. Y.—an estimable and highly accomplished lady, who now survives him as an invalid.


In 1842 he came to Marshall, in this State, prior to which time he had become connected with the lines of stages running from Jackson and Hillsdale to Chicago,—connecting at that time with the M. C. and M. S. Railroad lines, and in which he was the principal proprietor, until the roads were completed to Chicago.

In 1845 he came to Kalamazoo, where

Bissel, Humphrey, 1792-1855, Lansing Republican,
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he resided until the time of his death. Here he was engaged in running lines of stages to Grand Rapids, Three Rivers, Constantine, &c., and was one of the proprietors of the lines running from Detroit to Lansing, and from Lansing to Jackson.

Nelson, Imus, 1808-1855, Lansing Republican,
October 23 1855,p. 2

 We notice among the deaths in
Marysville, Cal., July 13th. Nelson Imus
of Michigan, aged 47.

Kay, Mary, 1833-1855, Lansing Republican,
August 21 1855,p. 3

Died,

In Woodhull, Shiawassee county, on the evening of the 15th inst., of consumption, Miss **MARY**, eldest daughter of Rev. Richard Kay, aged 29 years.

Merrifield, Mary Alice, 1854-1855, Lansing Republican,
July 31 1855, p. 3

Died,

In Lansing, on the 23d inst., **MARY ALICE**,
daughter of Edwin R. and Sarah Merrifield, aged
22 months and 5 days.

In Lansing, on the 26th inst. **EMMA ANNE**

Death of Ex-Governor Parsons.

HON. ANDREW PARSONS died at his residence in Carruma, Shiawassee County, at six o'clock A. M., Wednesday, June 6, aged forty-six years.

The deceased was a native of Oswego County, N. Y., and came to reside in this State, in the year 1834, fixing his residence in Calhoun county. He removed to Shiawassee County in 1838, and there studied and practiced law. He was elected a member of the State Senate in 1846. He was elected Lieut. Governor in 1852, and became governor by the resignation of Hon. Robert McClelland in February, 1853 — He was a member of the House of Representatives at the time of his death, having been elected in November 1854. He held the office of Prosecuting Attorney for several years in the County of Shiawassee.

Mr. Parsons was a politician of the Democratic school, a man of pure, moral character, fixed and exemplary habits, and entirely blameless in every public and private relation of life. As a politician, he was candid, frank, and free from bitterness. — As an Executive officer, firm, but just, and liberal, and as a friend, constant and reliable.

He leaves an amiable widow, who is a sister of J. S. Farrand, Esq., of this City, and five children, to whom, while living, he was a kind, affectionate and provident husband and father.

His death was a lingering one, from consumption, and he expired in the full possession of his faculties — *1st. Dem. & Ing.*

Platt, Infant Daughter, 1855, Lansing Republican,
November 13 1855, p. 3


Died,

In Lansing, on the 6th inst., infant daughter
of L. F. and C. H. PLATT.

Shearman, Latham Williams, 1855, Lansing Republican,
May 15 1855, p. 3

In the village of Marshall, on the 28th ult.,
LATHAM WILLIAMS, infant son of the Hon. Fran-
cis W. and Caroline S. Shearman.

Smith, Cyrus, 1855, Lansing Republican,
October 30 1855, p. 3

 We understand that Mr. Cyrus F. Smith, the well known proprietor of the *American Hotel*, in Jackson, died during the night of the 24th inst.

Story, Sarah Waldo, 1784-1855, Lansing Republican,
Spetember 11 1855, p. 2

DEATH OF THE WIDOW OF JUDGE STORY.
—Mrs. Sarah Waldo, widow of the late
Judge Joseph Story, died at her residence,
No, 8 Rome street, yesterday, of debility,
at the age of snventy-one years. Mrs
Story was a lady of great excellence of
character and of varied accomplishments.
She has left a large circle of friends to
mourn her loss. She was a daughter
of Mr. William Waldo, a well known
traveller.
Aug. 23.

DEATH OF A PROMINENT CITIZEN OF JACKSON.—We learn from the *Citizen* that Mr. John Sumner, a prominent business man of that place, died of typhoid fever on Monday evening last. He formerly resided in Detroit, but removed to Jackson in 1840, where he has been engaged in active business until the day of his death. He was a highminded, exemplary man, and his loss will be much felt and deplored.

**The late Hon. Jas. A. Van Dyke,
of Detroit.**

We extract from the *Democrat & Enquirer*, the following obituary notice.

James A. Van Dyke was born in December, of the year 1813, in the county of Franklin, Pennsylvania: He was educated at Madison College, N. Y., where he graduated in July, 1832. He studied law at Hagerstown, Md., in the office of Mr. Price, and with Mr. Meredith, in Baltimore, and was admitted to the bar there. He came to Detroit in 1834, entered the office of Hon. A. D. Fraser, and was admitted to the bar.

In December, 1835, he married Elizabeth, daughter of the late Peter J. Desnoyers, Esq., by whom he had eleven children, two of the eldest of whom died in infancy, and the two youngest of whom were taken away by death, during the past three weeks.

Soon after his admission to the bar, he formed a copartnership with Hon. Charles W. Whipple, late Chief Justice, and present Justice of the Supreme Court, which continued for some years. Soon after that period, Mr. Van Dyke formed a copartnership with Ebenezer Harrington, Esq., which continued until the death of that gentleman in June, 1844, when he formed a copartnership with Halmar H. Emmons, Esq., which existed until failing health took Mr. Emmons south in 1852.

Mr. Van Dyke filled the office of Prosecuting Attorney of the county of Wayne in 1840-41, the duties of which he performed with marked ability, and unwearied assiduity, and to which, as to those of every station and position in life in which he was placed, he gave his whole undivided energies.

He filled the office of City Attorney in 1845-36.

For the past year he has filled the office of Attorney for the Michigan Central Railroad Company, but has not pursued a general practice.

For the past fifteen years, he was Secretary of the Detroit Bar. He was President, for one year, of the Detroit Young Men's Society, and three times President of the Fire Department. Mr. Van Dyke had been ill, and confined for the most part to his house for three or four weeks previous to his fatal illness, but neither he nor his friends were apprehensive of his immediate dissolution, until inflammation of the stomach and bowels, followed by mortification, made itself evident on Sunday; after which time he sunk steadily and rapidly until Monday toward night, when he revived, in some degree, but soon began to sink again, and died peaceably and in full possession of his faculties at midnight on Monday, the 7th.

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An ardent ambition stimulated his professional efforts, but as he rose from rank to rank at the bar, until finally none around him could point to his superior, his sense of justice, and his warmth of heart, restrained him from resorting to those sinister means of advancement, which grosser and colder natures are apt to seize upon.

With a strong taste, and marked talents for the acquisition of property; integrity, unspotted and unimpeached, and the strictest regard for the rights of others, kept his efforts far within the line of honorable exercise, yielding to him the rich reward of early affluence, without a taint from the alloy of suspicion of injustice, rapacity, or penuriousness.

The deceased was endued by nature with those personal graces of address which render intercourse sought for and cherished, and which, while they adorned his more solid and useful characteristics, gave to him a wide and strong savour of personal popularity, which pervaded wherever he was personally known, and continued undiminished as long as he lived. This trait of his character, and the power and desire to make himself acceptable to all, insensibly drew him into political life, where, as in the other phases of human intercourse and association; he made himself widely known, and his views deeply and thoroughly influential.

Mr. Van Dyke entertained fixed, determined and settled principles of political action and belief, from which he wavered not, but to which he gave the enforcement of a warm and eloquent advocacy, upon the political arena, the aid of personal influence, without superior, and the benefit and strength of a pen which has made its mark from time to time, during the past twenty years, upon the stated deliberations and promulgations of the Whig party of Michigan. His cheerful, mellow voice, his warm eloquence, and impassioned appeals have been listened to in every quarter of the State, and where that voice has been heard, affection, sympathy and conviction have followed. Mr. Van Dyke was, eminently, a public spirited man, and this particular formed a fixed and absolute trait of his character. It was no hasty, temporary impulse, which as an emergency would arise, would satisfy itself by the donation of a few dollars, or the contribution of an effort of eloquence; it was a steady, fixed, enduring principle in his heart, which stimulated and regulated his actions through a long course of years, and up to the time of his decease.

A useful life has closed. An active and much beloved citizen has been suddenly snatched away: "The places which have long known him, will know him no more forever," and most literally "the mourners go about the streets" for in every street of the city, in which he lived, are to be found those who loved him, and to whom his many

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Upon others, and not upon ourselves devolves the tender, solemn duty of administering to the immediate family of our valued friend, those alleviations which are designed to lighten the blows of affliction—we can only assure them of the thorough tender sympathy of a community who have been deprived of a true and most useful and powerful friend, while they have lost a husband, a son, a father and a brother, who was, to them at once, the dearest, kindest, and most affectionate of earthly friends.

But one sad tearful duty remains—that of following his noble form to the place of graves—of committing his honored dust to dust, and of bidding a silent last farewell to one in whom intellect, manly virtue, courage, sensibility, generosity, and strong attachment, vied with each other in making up the full and true man.

Van Dyke, James A. 1811-1855, Lansing Republican,
May 15 1855, p. 3

Died,
In Detroit, on the 7th inst., Hon. JAMES A.
VAN DYKE, in the 42d year of his age.

Ward, Clarence 1776-1855 Lansing Republican
September 4 1855 p. 3

In Lansing, Aug. 28, CLARENCE, only son of
Mr. and Mrs. Waterman Ward, aged 17 months
and 14 days.

DEATH OF JUDGE WHIPPLE.—It is our painful duty to announce the decease of Hon. CHARLES W. WHIPPLE, one of the Justices of the Supreme Court of this State. He expired at 20 minutes past 7 o'clock, last evening, at his lodgings at the Michigan Exchange, after a lingering illness, during the last few days of which he was not expected to survive from hour to hour.

Judge Whipple was widely known thro' out our city and State, and possessed the esteem of all who knew him. For many years he filled a position upon the Supreme Bench, where he earned a high reputation as a faithful officer and an accomplished jurist. In private life, he was noted for eminent social qualities, and the intelligence of his decease will grate harshly upon the ears of the many who have enjoyed the pleasure of his acquaintance.

—*Free Press, 26th.*