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## MEMOIRS.

## GIDEON DRAPER.

The Rev. Gideon Draper was born in Dover, Dutchess County, N. Y., and died December 8th, 1861, in his eighty-second year, at Clifton, N. Y. He was converted when about fourteen years old through the instrumentality of Lorenzo Dow, who speaks of him in his memoirs as a young man of promise. At eighteen years of age he was licensed to exhort by the Rev. Freeborn Garretson. In 1803 he was admitted on trial in the Philadelphia Conference and appointed to the Huntington Circuit. The following year he was appointed to the Northumberland Circuit in the Baltimore Conference. In 1805 he was ordained Deacon and appointed to the \* \* \* Circuit, where he remained two years. In 1807 he was ordained Elder, and appointed to the Wyoming Circuit, Philadelphia Conference. In 1809 he was appointed Presiding Elder to the Susquehannah District. In 1810 the Genesee Conference held its first session, and Bro. Draper remained in it, retaining his Presidency of the Susquehannah District, till 1812, when he was appointed to the Genesee District, which he held till 1816, when he was appointed to the Bloomfield Circuit. In 1817 he located, and his name does not appear in the minutes till 1839, when he was re-admitted and placed on the superannuated list. In this relation he remained till the day of his death.

Bro. Draper was of Irish extraction, and inherited largely the quick perception and ready wit peculiar to his ancestry. He read character almost intuitively, and could adapt himself with great readiness and ease to whatever condition he was in, and with an imperturbable good nature make the best use of even untoward circumstances. It is not wonderful therefore that his long life should have passed so evenly and quietly. As age advanced his life developed beautifully the reverent and uniform attachment to the Church and its ordinances which his long profession would authorize us to expect.

On Thursday, Dec. 5th, 1861, his wife, the companion of his youth, died in great peace. "Jesus," said she, "has taken all my doubts away. I am ready to meet God. 'Praise the Lord, O my soul, and forget not all his benefits.'" On Sunday, three days later, Bro. Draper followed. He sank rapidly after his wife's death, giving assurances of his firm trust in God. He died peacefully praying, "Lord Jesus, come quickly."

The funeral sermon was preached by Dr. Samuel Luckey, the oldest effective member of the Conference, and the remains of our deceased brother were placed side by side with those of his faithful wife, in sure and certain hope of the resurrection of the just.

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