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#### MRS. TURNER.

widow of the late Rev. Edward Turner, died at ter, Mrs. L. C. Ackley, Sandy Hill, N. Y., Dec. 2 years and six months. For twenty years she 1 the itinerancy. She was converted in early life, then pastor, who is still living, as a devout and woman. Her voice was often heard in the social h. One who knew her in these later days hear her speak and pray." She died suddenly t's warning, but ready for the Kingdom above. Elmwood Cemetery, Schaghticoke, by the side

### MRS. HEATH.

relict of the Rev. Andrew Heath, was born and died at Castleton, Vt., December 19, 1892, She was married in 1835 to her esteemed was a most helpful friend and companion for f which thirty-five were spent amidst the vicissi-Her regnant character met and overcame all vimpressed itself upon the numerous members II with whom she was brought in contact. To children were largely indebted for the success ory, in the ministry, and other honorable calling and useful career, her strong nature yielded f infirmities and disease, and she followed her ome of her children to the abode of the blessed, sons will never fail to "rise up and call her T. A. GRIFFIN.

#### MRS. SMITH.

ie of Rev. H. H. Smith, and daughter of Isaac as born in Mount Holly, Rutland county, Vt., 1 at Ballston Spa, N. Y., December 21, 1892, childhood, immediately joined the Methodist continued a devoted Christian until death. She H. Smith of Troy Conference at Rutland, Vt., 1, January 22, 1845, and continued with her rork of the ministry for twenty-five years. In was a good singer, and greatly aided her husine worship, and was an indefatigable worker in 1 almost always had a large Bible class of young

et and unassuming, always ready and happy in vife, and has friends throughout all the Conferer death most sincerely.

and successful laborer in the Master's cause. e robust sort, demanding nothing from others, eking the good of all. slace December 24, 1892, at Ballston. J. H. um, her pastor, spoke words of comfort to her ved husband. Brother Smith retired from the stry in 1870. Since that time they have lived in them part.

J. C. Russum.

#### MRS. WALKER,

Mrs. Sarah A. Walker died at Johnstown, N. Y., December 28, 1892, in her fifty-seventh year. Sister Walker's maiden name was Shurtliff. She married Leonard S. Walker October 4, 1855; and during the first year of their married life both she and her husband were converted to God. Four years later her husband joined Troy Conference, and for twenty-four years Sister Walker was the helpful wife of an itinerant minister. Since Brother Walker's death, in 1884, at Castleton, N. Y., where the memory of their loving, helpful ministry is held in the most tender and grateful remembrance, she has resided at Johnstown, one of their previous fields of labor, also the home of her daughter and son, and has been abundant in labors. President of the Ladies' Aid Society, teacher of a large Bible class, faithful to the social meetings, and going from house to house visiting the sick, the poor and the stranger, not only will her sons and daughters miss her, but the church and congregation where she resided these last years. She was buried beside her husband.

## MRS. RULISON.

From the Methodist parsonage in the beautiful village of Salem, N. Y., about 3:30 in the morning of January 3I, 1893, the loving wife of Rev. W. P. Rulison was called by angels and taken to live in a better land. The call came unexpectedly to all. It came when she had much to live for and when she was most useful. Truly God's ways are not our ways, nor his thoughts our thoughts.

Cornelia the only daughter of John and Sophia Hoskins was born

Cornelia, the only daughter of John and Sophia Hoskins, was born in Essex, N. Y., January 24, 1852. In a pleasant home, under the fostering influence of Godly parents, and with the privileges of the schools, the foundation of a noble character was laid. At the age of ten years she experienced religion, and from that time forward was a useful member of the Methodist Episcopal Church. In 1870 she was married to a promising young lawyer, Robert Brougham, with whom she lived happily seven years. In 1880 she accepted the lot of an itinerant's life, and became the wife of him whose loss cannot be estimated. On five different charges she shared with her husband the lights and shadows of a preacher's ever-changeful life. She drank deeply at the fountain of Christian experience, and was well qualified to help those who were thirsting after righteousness. In all devotional services her presence was an inspiration, her singing was animated by the Holy Spirit, her prayers fervent and her testimonies definite. Said one: "It was a means of grace to have her open her heart-touching, divine communion." Her personal influence was remarkable for its tone and force; of this many have acknowledged the charm. An ex-presiding elder said: "I esteemed her as among the most lovable characters! have ever met." Said another: "I have thought of her as a queen among women." She fell as a goodly fruit tree fails, while its branches are yet firm and loaded with fruit which seems scarcely mature. We bow in submission to the Divine will, and leave it to our Heavenly Father to explain in His own good time. In Sister Rulison's death this dark world has lost a shining light, the church an efficient worker, the children a loving mother, and the husband a devoted wife. Her memory is blessed.

#### MRS. EDGERTON.

Died at Round Lake, N. Y., February 26, 1893, after a brief illness from enlargement of the liver, Mary Martin Edgerton, wife of Rev. James M. Edgerton, superannuate member of Troy Conference.

Born in Dalton, Mass., in 1817, converted at twenty-one, married at