

Obituaries.

OSIA MONROE HUDDLESTON, son of Henry and Sarah Jane Huddleston, was born November 2nd, 1866, near Dublin, Wayne County, Indiana, and departed this life March 3rd, 1896, aged 29 years, 4 months and 1 day. Osia was converted during the winter of 1885, under the ministry of Rev. W. A. Oler, and joined the church of the U. B. in Christ. During all the years of his life since this time he has manifested great love for the church. Two years ago when his wife was converted and joined the church, he "re-consecrated himself to the Lord and ever afterward expressed himself as desirous of being a useful Christian. During his long and severe illness he often spoke of his faith and trust in the Lord. On one occasion, in the presence of one of his sisters, in speaking of the goodness of God to him, he became overjoyed and exclaimed, "O praise God for his goodness to me." During the entire course of his affliction he bore all patiently, never having been heard to murmur or complain; yet, often expressing a desire to remain with his family, if it was the will of God. Often while gazing longingly at his family, he would say, "How can I leave my dear wife and children?" Kneeling beside his bedside in prayer, his sister, Anna Lawrence, asked that he might be spared to his loved ones on earth, if it be God's will. He said to her, "That is right; if it be God's will I shall live; if not, I am willing to go." He was joined in marriage with Miss Josie Paddock, September 27th, 1892. To this union were born two children. This marriage, though of short duration, was a very pleasant and agreeable one. He proved himself to be a good and devoted husband and a kind and loving father. In his death the church has lost a worthy member and the community a good citizen. He leaves a wife, two children, an aged father, six brothers, three sisters, and many other relatives and friends, his mother having preceded him to that spirit world some five years ago. We earnestly believe that our loss is his eternal gain, and that he is to-day enjoying that "rest, free from all sorrow and pain."

H. W. ROBBINS.

SUSAN CLARK was born in Douglas County, Kentucky, in 1833 or 34. Her parents, M. Barnett and wife, moved from Kentucky to Indiana, then to Bloomington, Illinois. There Sister Barnett was married to Eli Clark. They then moved back to Indiana, then to Topeka, Kansas. Sister Clark was converted when about thirty-five years of age and joined the M. E. Church. After she came to Kansas she joined the Church of the United Brethren in Christ, and was faithful unto death. Sister Clark left a bright evidence of her acceptance with Christ. She died the 25th of November, 1895, and leaves two children and a great many friends to mourn their loss; but their loss is her eternal gain. The funeral was preached by the writer.

J. W. STEWART.

DEN WAYNE JOHNSON, infant and only son of John and Kate Johnson, was born September 17th, 1894, and died January 19th, 1896, aged 1 year, 4 months and 2 days. Thus death has come again so soon to the home of these dear friends and taken their darling boy whom they loved so dearly. Funeral services were conducted by the writer. May God so convict the parents that they will turn and love him and finally meet the little one in the sweet by and by.

W. J. BYERS,

JACOB KELLER was born at East Liberty, Logan County, Ohio, April 2nd, 1817, and died March 15th, 1896, aged 78 years, 11 months and 13 days. His father and family moved from East Liberty to the Mill Creek bottoms and settled on a farm where Jacob lived and grew to manhood. Here he joined the M. E. Church and remained a consistent member until the church was moved from that place. In the year 1840 he was united in marriage with Mary Davis. This union was blessed with ten children, live sons and five daughters, seven of whom are living and mourn the loss of a much esteemed and loved father. On July 10th, 1865, his loving companion, Mary, departed this life, leaving him, in the midst of busy cares and the burden of so large a family, sadly alone. In the winter of 1866, he was married to Vienna Southard, who still lives to mourn her loss. In the year 1885, he united with the U. B. Church at West Mansfield, and proved to be one of the most substantial members on the circuit. He was one of the conservative members that remained true to the old constitution and confession of faith. His life as a Christian was without blemish. His acts of kindness to the poor are innumerable. He was held in great esteem by his children, his brethren and his neighbors. His funeral was largely attended, and was conducted in the M. E. Church in West Mansfield, Ohio. May the Christian life and holy and righteous influence of the same prove an example to all who knew him, and may God's blessing remain with his aged and enfeebled companion in her last days, and may she soon be permitted to join him in the heavenly land.

C. H. WELSH.

WILLIAM SITES was born in Germany, January 9th, 1822, and died at the residence of his son William, at New Philadelphia, Ohio, March 17th, 1896, aged 74 years, 2 months and 8 days. He was married to Elizabeth Eckert, August 16th, 1845. To this union were given seven children, four boys and three girls, two of whom preceded their parents to the spirit world. He had eighteen grandchildren and six great-grandchildren. Sister Sites died November 28th, 1890. Since her death Bro. Sites has lived most of the time with his son William, where he was comfortably homed and kindly cared for. He was converted thirty years ago at the Beaverdam Appointment, under the labors of Rev. J. A. Crayton, and united with the church at that place, continuing a devoted and consistent member till called home. His early education taught him to disbelieve the doctrine of experimental religion as taught by the United Brethren, until the time of his conversion at this meeting, when he and his wife became wonderfully awakened. God's Spirit sealed the truth upon their hearts and they could not rest until they sought peace in Jesus. He enjoyed a satisfactory evidence of personal salvation. As a witness for Jesus he was clear and forcible in his testimony, eloquent in prayer, patient and enduring in the afflictions and trials of life, kind and pleasant in the social circle. In business he was a constant laborer, earnest and faithful, providing for his family and the needs of the church. During the protracted illness of his wife, he did not murmur or complain. The spirit of Christian submission ruled in his heart. He was a devoted husband, a kind and tender father, seeking the highest and best comforts for his family. His death was peaceable. We gather about him the following Scriptures, "Mark the perfect man and behold the upright, for the end of that man is peace." "For he was a good man, full of faith and of the Holy Ghost." On the 20th we laid his body to rest in the cemetery at

Beaverdam, amid a good congregation of neighbors and friends, with all the living children present except one son who could not be there on account of affliction, with most of the grandchildren. While sorrow filled the hearts of his near ones and neighbors, all could rejoice that their loved one had gone home. God bless the bereaved and may they all meet in heaven.

J. N. LEMASTERS.

MARY S. HAZELDINE, wife of Brother Leonard Hazeldine, was born in Hillsdale County, Michigan, July 20th, 1850, and died at her home in Castleton Township, Barry County, Michigan, March 12th, 1896, aged 45 years, 7 months and 21 days. At the age of 14 years she sought the Savior and found him to the joy and satisfaction of her heart. Sister Hazeldine suffered greatly at times, but was never heard to murmur. She was a faithful and true member of the United Brethren Church at North Castleton Class, Michigan Conference. For a number of years she was a faithful Sabbath-school teacher, and rejoiced to see her scholars nearly all converted. Sister Hazeldine was loved by all who knew her, for she was kind to all. To know her was to love her, for by her kind Christian example she proved her genuine piety, and loving she was loved in return. She leaves, to mourn their loss, a devoted husband, one daughter, a father and a large circle of friends by whom she will be greatly missed. I hope they may all have a happy meeting on the golden shore where loved ones meet, but part no more. She was indeed a follower of the lowly Jesus, and though dead will yet speak to all who knew her, saying, "Follow me as I followed Christ." The funeral was preached by the writer.

C. D. JARVIS

MAGGIE LORETTA GAIDAKOMST was born November 17th, 1886, and died February 14th, 1896, aged 10 years, 3 months and 14 days. Her father and mother preceded her some time. She lived with her Grandma Hayster for about four years. She was loved by all who knew her.

JACOB COST.

EZEKIEL ADAMS was born June 30th, 1809, in Rockingham County, Virginia, and died March 15th, 1896, in Meigs County, Ohio, aged 86 years, 8 months and 15 days. He was married to Elizabeth Daniels, August 19th, 1830. To this union were born ten children, three of whom survive him. His first wife died September 16th, 1851. He was married to his second wife, Susan Deen, in 1862, to which union were born three children, two of whom are still living. His second wife departed this life in March, 1889. In his last days he was much afflicted, but bore the intense suffering with Christian patience. He was a faithful member of the United Brethren Church at the time of his death. He had belonged to church for thirty years. His life was exemplary and he was much beloved by his neighbors and friends in the church, and his sweet counsel will be missed. The funeral was conducted by the writer.

JOHN W. CHAMBERS.

SUSIE DORMAN of Wood County, Ohio, died March 11th, 1896, aged 28 years, 10 months and 21 days. She was a faithful and consistent Christian. She leaves a husband, two children and many other friends to mourn, but their loss is her eternal gain. The funeral was conducted by the writer, assisted by Rev. Wm. Musser.

J. A. FERGUSON.

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