

TRUMBULL COUNTY, OHIO - CEMETERY SURVEY

FITCH, BETSEY M. - DEATH DATE - January 03, 1838

COMMENTS

Zalmon Fitch married Betsey Mygatt , both of Canfield, Ohio, on January 17, 1808
(Trumbull County, Ohio, Marriage Record, Vol. QS, Pg. 26)

OBITUARY

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DIED--In this village, on the 3rd inst., Mrs. BETSEY FITCH, in the 47th year of her age, the wife of Zalomon Fitch, Esq. Mrs. Fitch was born in Danbury, CT, February 20th, 1791. She was the daughter of Comfort and Lucy Mygatt, who moved and settled in Canfield, about 30 years ago. Mrs. Fitch came to Warren 21 years ago, and soon after, at the age of 23 she, with her husband, made a public profession of religion, by uniting themselves with the Presbyterian church. This was in 1814. From that time to the day of her death, she has been a very faithful and consistent, and active Christian. And the writer is told, by the bereaved husband, that since she entered into covenant to be the Lord's forever, she has not failed to set apart a season every day for the perusal of the holy scriptures, for meditation and devotion. The result has been, her growth in grace and Christian knowledge. She early embraced the great fundamental truths of the bible, and to the end, she was steadfast and unshaken in her adherence to the truth. Moreover, she embraced the great truths of the bible with a ?ria heart, and practiced them in her life. As every Christian should be, she was cheerful and happy in the profession of religion. There was none of that austerity, and none of that melancholy, which is repulsive and forbidding, but with a kind and cheerful heart, together with a natural ?vity of manners she invited attention, and recommended religion to be, what is the truth, the pearl of great price. To the poor and needy she was a kind and constant friend, and most cheerfully administered to their wants. In the great cause of benevolence her ardent feelings were enlisted, and she habitually accompanied her prayers with alms. Her fidelity and punctuality in attending upon the public worship of God, and to seasons of prayer set apart by the church are worthy of all imitation. The writer need not speak of this dearly beloved Christian friend in her family, and in the large circle of her relatives and friends--She was greatly beloved. And their loss is better felt than expressed. Mrs. Fitch died as she lived. During the last few hours of her life, the difficulty of respiration was so great that she was unable to say much. But she said to her daughter, Mrs. Williams, who inquired respecting her state of mind, "I can trust in my Heavenly Father and in Christ: He is all my salvation and my desire" She bid her husband, her children, her friends an affectionate farewell, and then lifted her soul to God in prayer, saying, "Thy will be done" and immediately fell asleep in Jesus.

"Blessed are the dead which die in the Lord;
yea saith the spirit that they may rest from their labours
and their works do follow them." [Communicated]
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