

STEBBINS, Heman S. (1791-1838)

HEMAN STEBBINS, son of Solomon Stebbins of West Springfield, Massachusetts, and grandson of Benjamin and Sabra Lyman Stebbins, was born on June 3 1791. His mother was Mahala, third daughter of Colonel Benjamin Day of West Springfield and sister of Benjamin Day, Yale 1768. He was prepared for College at Monson Academy under Levi Collins, Yale 1802. He studied law after graduation and on being admitted to the bar in the spring of 1819, settled in South Brookfield where he practiced his profession for about fifteen years. He was also an expert land surveyor and for the last three years of his life he was employed as a civil engineer in running the experimental lines for the location of the Western Railroad which passed through Brookfield. He died in Brookfield on November 9 1838 in his 48th year. He was a deacon in the Unitarian Church of South Brookfield. He married, on October 23 1824, Sarah May, youngest child of Amos and Polly Lyon Paine of South Woodstock Connecticut, who removed to Providence after his death and died there on October 23 1881, aged 77 years. Their children were one son and three daughters.

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