

Henry

OBITUARY OF MRS. HENRY  
3-11 SHERMAN 1904  
Miss Almira Dudley was born at  
Newbury, Sullivan county, N. H.  
July 19, 1836, and went to rest March  
7, 1904. Her parents were from an  
old English family. Her mother died  
when she was but two years old, and  
she found a home with Mr. Abner  
Hall of Newport, N. H., where she re-  
ceived her education and grew to  
womanhood. When fifteen years of  
age she was converted and united with  
the Baptist church.  
On March 24, 1857, occurred her  
marriage to Henry Sherman, and the  
same day they started for his home at  
Clinton, Iowa. In May following they  
came to Chester township to make  
their home; at that time their only

neighbor was Jason Sherman, who had  
arrived a short time before.

When the Chester Congregational  
church was organized in June, 1865,  
Mr. and Mrs. Sherman became charter  
members and have continued loyal to  
its support through all these years.  
Of the charter members only the fol-  
lowing remain: Henry Sherman, Mrs.  
Jennie Sherman, Mrs. Mary E. Fisher,  
Wm. A. Carter and Mr. and Mrs. John  
Lightner.

Three children were born to Mr. and  
Mrs. Sherman,—Fannie, now Mrs.  
James Rutherford, Ralph, now living  
on the home farm with his family, and  
Elmer H., who died in 1864 at about  
two years of age. He died from diph-  
theria, and his mother suffered a vio-  
lent attack of this dread disease so  
that her life was despaired of for over  
a year, but finally she recovered and  
enjoyed good health till the winter of  
1881, when she was stricken with rheu-  
matism and was an invalid for 13  
years. During this time she made  
two trips to Colorado for her health,  
and in 1893 her strength began to re-  
vive. She was interested in the build-  
ing of their new home and lived to en-  
joy it in her last years.

About two  
years ago she suffered an attack of  
grippe, and in the fall went to Cali-  
fornia, returning in May last much  
improved in health, and continued  
pretty well till June 13, when she be-  
gan to suffer nervous exhaustion and  
became very weak. Until about two  
weeks ago she hoped to recover, but  
when told that it was not possible for

The funeral was held at the old  
homestead, conducted by Rev. J. J.  
Mitchell, a former pastor, assisted by  
Rev. George Jewell, pastor of Chester  
church. The pall bearers were E. W.  
Fisher, John Fisher, Porter Fuller,  
M. E. Sears, J. Hockman and H. A.  
Woodford.