

JOSIAH G. HARDY.

A Veteran Laid to Rest—Other News from the Colony.

## COTTAGE INN NEWS.

COTTAGE INN, Chilches, Mexico, Jan. 16, 1893.—In my past correspondence I have written of incidents and the approach of death in varied form, with attendant sorrow and bereavement, but last Sunday, on the occasion of funeral services over the remains of our esteemed brother and friend, Elder Josiah G. Hardy, I am constrained to say it was an occasion of joyous feeling and thanksgiving.

For the past four months Brother Hardy had suffered much pain in his right foot from the effects of blood poisoning, or gangrene, beginning in his toes, ultimately affecting the entire foot and body, terminating in his death on Friday evening, the 13th instant, at the age of 75. His friends were gathered together as long as he was able, his feet on the ground, and when unable longer to sit up, resulted in his death.

The best saying holds to true by reason of the continuance of the saying just

## BEFORE CONGRESS.

## Working for the West.

After a stay of several years at Washington, D.C., during which he has been minister with the workings of Congress and the departments, Judge Clark W. Wayman, an Attorney and Counselor of the Supreme Court of the United States, is prepared to promote proper legislation by appealing before Congress and informing influential Congressmen as to the needs of citizens and communities represented by him.

He also continues his practice in the General Land Office, preparing appeals, making known and arguments before the Commissioners and Surveyors, and in his office, 1019 F Street, on cause to determine a dispute, and to attend to general land business. Terms reasonable, service prompt and reliable. P.O. Address, Box 474, Washington D. C.

From the meeting house we carried him to his home, a quiet place in our pleasantly located cemetery, and under the shade of these long-lived mountain pines. His companion, children and many friends in Utah were gathered around him, and in the quiet words and simple memory of the deceased, Alonso A. Farnsworth dedicated the ground and grave. The day was beautiful and pleasant throughout.

Elder Josiah G. Hardy was born in the town of Stratford, Connecticut, Mass., U. S. A., the 17th of March, 1818. He was the third son of Nathan and Mary Burroughs Hardy, who early in life taught him the habits of industry, the necessity of saving and shewing the love of God in works for the poor. At the age of twenty years he became impressed with the ministry of repentance, and earnestly sought the Lord. At the age of nineteen years he joined the Methodist church, being chosen as steward and elder teacher. On the 17th of March, 1838, he married Sarah Clark Farnsworth. Afterward becoming a member of the Mormon church he was baptized, and during his life was immersed in many denominations, and finally was impressed to visit the despised Mormons. His wife continued until he was convinced that the Mormons had the truth of the gospel, and she entered the church with him. We trust the Prophet of God. His doubts were dispelled in the following manner: While passing through the woods on his way to the Sabbath meeting he was impressed to kneel down in prayer by a spirit of conviction, and as he knelt in the light, and looking to his feet he received a convincing testimony of the divinity of Joseph's mission, which ever afterwards sustained him.

On the 1st of April, 1840, he was taken into the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints by President W. H. Hardy. On March 2nd, 1845, he was ordained in the office of Deacon. On September 4th, 1857, he was ordained an elder. On May 10th, 1865, he was ordained an A. B. and called to preside over the Southern branch of the Church, and so remained until emigrating west. On August 20th, 1868, he reached Salt Lake City, Utah. On August 21st, he was ordained a High Priest, under the hands of Bishop Edward Hunter and confirmed and set apart as Stake President of the Southern Stake of the Church. George for many years, on the 2d of February, 1882, he started from that place with a part of his family for Mexico, arriving at Chihuahua, Mexico, on the 2nd of October, 1882. When circumstances required he returned to the U. S. and purchased a farm near Salt Lake City, and did much in a general way towards building up the country.

The people of that mission have full knowledge of the prevailing epidemic at that time, but hardly knew what our condition and prospects were. Improving and notwithstanding all the difficulties reported of, trials and ways, we feel at home, happy, and hopeful for the future. We expect soon to have a large number of our brethren here with all the world.

If not too late, I wish all my many bretheren a happy New Year.

HENRY LUDY.

I have a room that I bought a year ago that had three doors and windows. The company consists of others who had bad luck, and I am the only one that has had good luck. The door is now well established.

By constant attention to the door and window, and by having them well established, we believe the door will be well established.

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