

**Urania McConnell**  
**Oct. 4, 1820 - Dec. 16. 1902**

Mrs. Urania McConnell passed away at her home in this city on Tuesday morning, Dec. 16. 1902, of heart failure at the age of 82 years. Mrs. McConnell, whose maiden name was Urania Porter, was born in Sangamon county, Ill., Oct. 4, 1820 and came to Monroe township with her parents in 1838. In 1840 she was married to Joseph McConnell also of Monroe. Mr. and Mrs. McConnell being the first couple married in the city of Monroe. To them was born six children of which only two survive, Mrs. Alonzo Sliver and Mrs. George Lewis, both of this city. She also leaves two sisters and one brother to mourn their loss. Mrs. McConnell was a woman beloved by all who knew her and who filled her part in every relation of life.

The funeral was held on Thursday morning at 10 o'clock at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Lewis, with whom she had made her home since the death of her husband in 1882, conducted by Rev. J. E. Holden of the M. E. church who spoke the words found in the 23d Psalm, "The Lord is my Shepherd." The beautiful and appropriate song service was by Messrs. Wm. Bubb, Frank Graves, Mrs. Farnkle Eldred and Floy Atnerton, "She rests from her labors and her works do follow her." The remains were taken to Exeter and laid to rest beside the father and children who have preceded her to the better land.

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Mrs. Urania (Porter) McConnell, mother of Mrs. Alonzo Silver and Mrs. George Lewis, died at Mr. Lewis' residence in this village Tuesday morning. Though suffering for several years from heart trouble, the end was unexpected and she was found dead in her bed having passed peacefully away during the night.

She was born in Sangamon County, Illinois on October 4, 1820 and came to Monroe in 1838 and married Joseph McConnell in 1840. Mr. McConnell died about 18 years ago. There were six children of which the above two named are the surviving children. There are seven grandchildren. She has one brother and two sisters living.

The funeral was held at the house today and the body taken to Exeter for interment, Rev. J. E. Holden officiating.

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