CLASSE OF 1802.

JAMES LOW.

DIED: In this city, on Sunday last, Dr. James Low, aged 40 years. His remains were yesterday conveyed to Charlton, Saratoga Co., and were escorted a short distance on the way by members of the Medical Society and St. Andrews' Society and by a respectable number of citizens. His funeral will be attended this afternoon, at 2 o'clock from the house of his brother Dr. David Low in Charlton; and which his relatives, friends and acquaintances, are respectfully invited to attend.

Albany Daily Gazette & Daily Advertiser.
February 5, 1822.
JAMES LOW

Among the list of distinguished physicians in Thatcher's American Medical Biography is the name of James Low. The notice was written by his friend Dr. T. Romeyn Beck, and is as follows:

"James Low, M. D., was born at Albany, December 9, 1781. His early education was completed at Union College in 1802. He commenced the study of medicine with Dr. McClelland, and after three years spent with him, he went to Edinburgh, where he spent four years, attending the lectures of the University. During a part of the time he was a private pupil of Dr. John Murray, late eminent lecturer on chemistry. Dr. Low's standing among his fellow students, may be estimated from the fact that he was elected one of the Presidents of the Royal Physical Society of Edinburgh. Dr. Low traveled in England and Scotland, and returned to his native city in 1808, commencing practice with Dr. McClelland." He then became a member of this Society.

"His reputation as a learned and skillful physician, an able and expert surgeon, became widely diffused. He was a man of science."

His health during the last three years of his life became greatly impaired, and after much suffering he died in Albany, February 3rd, 1822, having just completed the fortieth year of his age.

His published works are:

2. Epidemic Enanmia.
3. Researches on the Light manifested in the Combustion of Inflammable Substances.
4. Observations on Moth, which prove destructive to bees.
5. Hooper's Vade Mecum (with notes)
6. Notes to Bell on Venereal Diseases.

"His loss to Society was great. He bid fair at one time to become one of the first physicians of the State. He lectured during several years on chemistry, with great acceptance, showing familiarity with that subject. He was well versed in the languages, enthusiastic in poetry, and a man of extensive and varied learning."

He frequently read papers before this Society, among which was one on cancer, one on hydatids, and one on paralysis of the bladder.

Considering the time he spent abroad, at home in practice, and that he died in his early manhood; his industry and the fertility of his pen are remarkable.

WAS born at Albany, December 9th, 1781. His early education was completed at Schenectady. He commenced the study of medicine with Dr. McClelland, and after three years spent with him, he went to Edinburgh where he spent four years, attending the lectures of the university. During a part of the time he was a private pupil of Dr. John Murray, an eminent lecturer on chemistry. Dr. Lew's standing among his fellow students may be estimated from the fact that he was elected one of the presidents of the Royal Physical Society of Edinburgh. Dr. Lew travelled in England and Scotland and returned to his native city in 1808, and commenced practice with Dr. McClelland. His reputation as a learned and skillful physician, an able and expert surgeon became widely diffused. He was a man of science. His health during the last three years of his life became greatly impaired, and after much suffering he died in Albany, February 3d, 1822, having just completed the fortieth year of his age. He published several medical works and frequently read papers before the medical society. His loss to society was great. He bid fair at one time to become one of the first physicians in the state. He lectured during several years on chemistry, with great acceptance, showing familiarity with that subject. He was well versed in the languages, enthusiastic in poetry, and a man of extensive and varied learning."

From: Munsell’s Annals of Albany
Vol. 9 p. 99
Dr. James Low died, aged 40. He was born at Charlton, Saratoga county, and the members of the Medical Society resolved to wear crape on the left arm for the space of 30 days as a tribute of respect to his memory.

Annals of Albany
Joel Munsell
Albany 1856

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JAMES LOW, M.D., non-graduate of 1802, resident of Albany, was a member of the Philomathian Society. He died in 1822.

Philomathian Catalogue 1830.
1802

JAMES LOW

Died February 3, 1822, aged 40 years, 1 month and 25 days.

FROM: Saratoga County Epitaphs
Durkee
Low, James

Records show one
James Low
Pvt. in Capt. C. Van Gaasbeck's Co.,
(Van Dalfsen's Regt.) N.Y. Militia.

Commencement of service: Aug 18, 1814
Expiration of service: Nov 26, 1814
Low, James,
From: Charlton, N.Y.
Last residence: Albany, N.Y.

Records show one
James Low
Pvt. in Capt. John Platt's Co.,
2nd Regt. (Delamater's) N.Y. Militia

Commencement of service: Aug 18, 1814
Deserted Sept 23, 1814
