

Faculty minutes Dec. 24, 1799

Order for Commencement

Forensic dispute G. Y. Lansing & Forman

Dialogue - Lansing & Forman

This venerable patriot, who for nearly eighty years has lived in this city, beloved and honored, died yesterday after a brief illness. Until a few months ago he was hale, vigorous and alert; but the darkening cloud that overhangs the country, cast its shadow upon his later hours, and his spirit broke and his strong frame yielded. He had fulfilled the measure of his years, which commenced almost with the formation of the government, and extended to its apparent dissolution. He was a Democrat from his youth up, through all the changes of parties, and unswerving in his political attachments, even to his dying hour.

He was exceeding popular in the county; and for six years represented it in Congress--running, on one occasion, against Ambrose Spencer, and defeating him.

He was one of that old Holland stock to whose virtues and domestic life we were accustomed to point with pride. By activity, cheerfulness and temperance he preserved a sound mind, in a sound body, to a green old age. In these respects, and in many characteristics of mental and bodily constitution, he bore a great resemblance to the late Daniel Cady, though never subjected to the long legal discipline by which the mind of the latter was trained.

The Evening Journal gives a notice of the incidents of his life, to which we can add nothing except that the Hon. Robert H. Pruyn, recently appointed Minister to Japan, and who sailed from New York on the 1st inst., was his son-in-law.

(Here follows the Evening Journal obituary).

Atlas & Argus,  
Albany, N. Y.  
Jan. 4, 1862.

1800

GERRIT Y. LANSING.

Married: On th 9th inst. by the Rev.  
Dr. Yates, Robert H. Pruyn, to Jane  
Ann, daughter of the Hon. Gerrit Y.  
Lansing, all of this city.

Daily Albany Argus, Nov. 10, 1841.

Lansing, Gerrit Y.  
From: Albany, N.Y.  
Last residence: Albany, N.Y.

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Records show one

Lansing, Garret Y.

Judge Advocate on Staff of Brig. Gen'l Reuben  
Hopkin's Detached Militia, State of New York.

Service commenced September 10, 1813

Period of service not found

CLASS OF 1800

GERRIT YATES LANSING.

Son of Abraham G. and Susanna (Re Ridder) Yates Lansing.

Born August 4, 1783

Died January 3, 1862.

He held many positions of honor and trust in the city and county of Albany. He was in early life secretary to Governor Morgan Lewis, Clerk of the Assembly, and judge of probate. He represented the district on the 22nd, 23rd, and 24th Congresses of the United States. He was elected a regent of the State University to succeed ex-President Van Buren.

He married May 31, 1808, Helen Ten Eyck, born June 13, 1787; died June 25, 1838.

Brother Sanders Lansing, Class of 1806

Cornelius DeRidder Lansing, Class of 1806

Christopher Yates Lansing, Class of 1815.

Hudson-Mohawk Genealogical & Family Memoirs  
vol. 1 p. 73  
Cuyler Reynolds  
New York  
1911

Hon. GERRIT Y. LANSING, 1800, of Albany, N.Y., was a member of the Adelpic Society  
Adelpic Catalogue 1830 (Died: 1862)

CLASS OF 1800

GERRIT YATES LANSING

Son of Abraham Gerrit Lansing and Susanna (Yates) Lansing, was born in Albany, August 4, 1783, died January 3, 1862. He held a number of positions of honor and trust in Albany. In early life he was private secretary to Governor Morgan Lewis, Clerk of the Assembly, judge of probate, represented the county in the 22nd, 23rd, and 24th Congresses, was elected Regent of the University in place of ex-President Martin Van Buren, and at the time of his death was Chancellor of the Regents. He was a man of genial nature, kind, frank, honest and most open-hearted, respected and beloved by all, and affectionate and benevolent, with the peculiar habit of attracting the young people. He was respected as a gentleman of polish and refinement, in fact, a true representative of the school in which were Clay, Webster, Wright, Marcy and Van Buren.

He married March 31, 1809, Helen, born June 13, 1787, died June 25, 1838, daughter of Abraham Ten Eyck, (son of Jacob C. and Catharine (Cuyler) Ten Eyck).

Children:--Charles Brigden; Jane Ann, married 1841 Robert Hewson Pruyn; Susan Yates, born Albany, August 5, 1816, died there, January 15, 1911, unmarried; Abraham Gerrit, died single.

FROM Hudson and Mohawk Genealogical  
and Family Memoirs  
Vol. 1 p. 74

Cuyler Reynolds, Editor.

GERRIT Y. LANSING Hon. LL.D. Rutgers 1857 Albany, N. Y.

A.B. (Union, 1800). Lawyer, Chancellor, Regents, Univ. State of N. Y. Died, 1862.

Rutgers Catalogue  
p. 347

CLASS OF 1800

GERRIT Y. LANSING

Was born August 4, 1783.

He married Helen, daughter of Abraham (and Annetie Lansing) Ten Eyck, May 31, 1808.

Issue:

Charles Bridgen

Jane Ann, married Robert V. Pruyn in 1841. He died February 26, 1882.

Susan Yates

Abraham G., died single.

Gerrit Y. Lansing resided at Albany, N. Y. In early life he was Private Secretary to Gov. Morgan Lewis, Clerk of the Assembly, and Judge of the Probate. He represented the County in the Twenty-Second, Twenty-Third and Twenty-Fourth Congress; he was elected Regent of the University; and at the time of his death (Jan. 3, 1862) was Chancellor of the Regents. His wife, Helen, died June 25, 1838.

FROM The Lansing Family p. 74  
Claude G. Munsell  
1916.

✓ LANSING, Gerrit Yates (nephew of John Lansing, jr.), a Representative from New York; born in Albany, N. Y., August 4, 1783; pursued classical studies, and was graduated from Union College in 1800; studied law, was admitted to the bar in 1804, and commenced practice in Albany; clerk of the State assembly in 1807; judge of the court of probates 1816-1823; elected regent of the University of the State of New York in 1829 and served until his death; was appointed chancellor of the board on October 31, 1842; elected as a Jackson Democrat to the Twenty-second, Twenty-third, and Twenty-fourth Congresses (March 4, 1831-March 3, 1837); was not a candidate for reelection in 1836; president of the Albany Savings Bank 1854-1862; president of the Albany Insurance Co. 1859-1862; died in Albany, Albany County, N. Y., January 3, 1862; interment in the Albany Rural Cemetery.

Congressional  
Biographical  
Directory  
p. 120 ff.

## CLASS OF 1800

### GERRIT Y. LANSING

This venerable and well-known citizen died this morning at his residence in this city. His constitution had for several years been gradually yielding to the infirmities of age; so much so, as to cause increased anxiety for his condition for some time past. His illness was very brief; and in a few hours from the time his symptoms became alarming he passed away.

Mr. Lansing was a son of the late Abraham G. Lansing, of this city, well-known in the early political history of the State, who, among other public posts, held that of State Treasurer in the year 1803 and again in 1810. His mother was a daughter of Abraham Yates, Jr., a gentleman who was prominently identified with our Revolutionary History, having, among other official positions, held that of President of the Provincial Congress of New York and Mayor and Recorder of Albany.

His uncle John Lansing, Jr., was a member of the Constitutional Convention of this State in 1788, a delegate from this State to the Convention which formed the Constitution of the United States and afterwards Chancellor of this State.

Mr. Lansing was born in this city in the year 1783. He graduated from Union College about the year 1800, then read law, and was admitted to the bar about the year 1806.

He had at various periods held many public offices and trusts. He was Clerk of the Assembly of 1807. In 1816 he was appointed Judge of the Court of Probate, which office he held until it was abolished by the Constitution of 1821. He represented the Albany District in Congress from 1831 to 1837.

In 1829 he was appointed by the Legislature one of the Regents of the University, and in 1849 was elected Chancellor of the Board, which office he held at his death.

In addition to these public trusts, Mr. Lansing had been a Director of many corporations closely connected with the business of our city, and had frequently, in middle life, been a member of our Common Council. At the time of his death he was President of the Albany Insurance Co., and of the Albany Savings Bank.

It is hardly necessary to say to those who know anything of the history of our city, that Mr. Lansing was of the old Holland stock. He inherited, in a marked manner, the virtues and characteristics of his ancestry. Simple in his habits--just in his dealings--true in all the relations of life--he passed through a long course of years, doing his duty in all his relations to society without fear and without reproach, leaving a memory to be respected by all who knew him and beloved by an endeared family circle.

Albany Evening Journal, January 3, 1862.



CLASS OF 1800

GERRIT Y. LANSING

DIED---On the 3rd inst Gerrit Y. Lansing, Esq., in the  
79th year of his age.  
The relatives, friends and acquaintances of the  
deceased are respectfully invited to his funeral  
on Monday next January 6th at 3 o'clock, p. m.

Albany Argus  
January 4, 1862

There is an obituary on the editorial page of  
this issue.

Berkit Yates Lansing - AB-1800

Gerrit Yates Lansing

A. B.  
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