

Died at his residence in this city, at 2 o'clock, Thursday P. M., aged 84 years. Dr. Fonda was graduated at Union College in 1803. He studied medicine under the direction of Dr. A. H. Adams, in this city, and was licensed to practice in May, 1806. Dr. Fonda pursued his profession in this city for many years, and has always been a resident of Schenectady. His father was Colonel Jellis A. Fonda, who rendered efficient services to the cause of the colonies during the Revolutionary war, and was subsequently for many years Clerk of this county. His mother was a sister to the late Ex-Gov. Joseph C. Yates.

About two months after he was licensed to practice, Dr. Fonda attended the first meeting of the Albany County Medical Society, Schenectady then being a part of Albany County. The venerable Dr. Mancius presided, and as he cast his large piercing eyes over the little number gathered for its organization they rested with severe scrutiny upon the smooth face and youthful form of young Fonda, and he remarked with seeming austerity that he supposed all who were present were licensed practitioners. Dr. Fonda knowing the remark was intended for him only, replied with all confidence and suavity, that his license had been granted in the May previous, but he did not think it important to tell the doctor that he had not yet attained his majority; for in the eyes of such a man youth has a species of unpardonable sin.

The wife of Dr. Fonda died two weeks ago to-day.

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March 11, 1869.
Thursday.

Was born in Schenectady, on the 17th of August, 1785. He obtained his medical education under the direction of Dr. Archibald H. Adams of that city, then an extensive practitioner, and received his license to practice in May, 1806, two months previous to the first meeting of this Society. For many years he pursued, in his native city, the profession of his choice. Several years since, he retired from its active duties to the enjoyment and quietude of domestic life, in the tranquility of which he is spending a green and vigorous old age. Half a hundred years ago he was here, one of the few who met for the first time with their Society. Half a hundred years have rolled by, and, gentleman, he is here with us to-day. We extend to him a most cordial greeting. We bid him welcome, -- and if emotions of sorrow arise within him, as the past and the recollection of the little band with whom he first met, and of whom only he and one other survive, float before his memory, let him be cheered by our rejoicings that he is privileged to meet with us on this fiftieth anniversary of our Society.

May the evening of his life, and that of his surviving associate at the first meeting of this Society, be bright and cheerful, and when they, like their former contemporaries, are summoned hence, may they approach their rest.

"Like *one* who draws the
drapery of his couch
around him, and lies down
to pleasant dreams".

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CLASS OF 1803

ALEXANDER GLEN FONDA

Alexander G. Fonda was born in Schenectady on the 17th day of August, 1785. His father was Colonel Fonda, and rendered efficient service to the cause of the colonies in the revolutionary war. He was graduated at Union College in 1803, a class mate of Dr. Thomas Dunlap of Schenectady, and the Rev. Dr. James M. Mathews of New York City. Alexander studied medicine under the direction of Dr. Archibald H. Adams, who is subsequently noticed in this volume, and was licensed to practice in May, 1806. Two months later, the first meeting of the Albany County Medical Society was held under the new law, and Dr. Fonda came from Schenectady to be present. The venerable Dr. Mancius presided, and as he cast his large piercing eyes over the little number gathered for its organization they rested with severe scrutiny upon the smooth face and youthful form of young Fonda, and he remarked with seeming austerity that he supposed all who were present were licensed practitioners. Dr. Fonda knowing that the remark was intended for him only, replied with all confidence and suavity that his license had been granted in the May previous, but he did not think it important to tell the old doctor that he had not yet attained his majority; for in the eyes of such a man youth has a species of unpardonable sin.

For many years Dr. Fonda quietly pursued his profession in his native city, and at length retired from its active duties to the enjoyment and quietude of domestic life in the tranquillity of which old age has come gently upon him.

Half a hundred years had rolled away, and Dr. Fonda came back in 1856, to join in the Society's semi-centennial celebration. It was to him apparently an event of great pleasure and satisfaction. Dr. Augustus Harris and himself, of the original members, had survived the half century, but the former died a few months afterward. Dr. Fonda is now in the seventy-ninth year of his age. May his long and useful life close only to witness the morning of a more glorious day.

A brother likewise studied medicine, and died in one of the southern states where he had gone to reside. For twenty years Dr. Fonda has been represented in the profession in this city by his son, Dr. David E. Fonda.

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Biographical Sketches by Sylvester D. Willard, M. D.

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Dr. Fonda had an office at 15 Union St. *Born Aug. 17, 1785.*

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