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James, son of Samuel and Elizabeth (Province) Dexter, was born January 17 1795 at Albany, died August 14 1867 at Albany. He graduated from Union College 1813. He was a lawyer and was not married. He was a brother of George, class of 1817.
Died aged 73 (August 15, 1867)

He had charge of the Banyar estate for a great number of years, and was an upright and charitable man. He graduated at Union College, and having studied his profession in the office of Bleecker & Sedgwick, then eminent lawyers in this city, was admitted to the bar. His qualifications may be inferred from the fact that he discharged the responsible duties of deputy attorney general during the terms of office successively of attorney generals Oakley, Talcott and Bronson. Admirably fitted as he was for office business by the thoroughness and exactness of his habits, his gentle and sensitive nature shrunk from the strenuities of his profession, and he ultimately withdrew from general practice and gave himself almost exclusively to the care of a large estate and of some other important trusts that were placed in his charge. To these he gave the benefit of his sound judgment and unsurpassed fidelity up to the last hour he was able to hold his pen. All for whom he has labored, will bear witness to the rare integrity, conscientiousness and thoroughness with which every duty was discharged. Severe to himself, he was always kind and considerate to others, and had no harsh word, except for wrong and injustice. He was never married, but he made his name to be loved and revered in many a household. The widow and orphan ever found in him a friend, and the most generous and faithful of guardians. To the appeal of the poor and the suffering his ear and his purse were ever open. He might have been rich in this world's goods, but his disregard of self and his unfailing charities kept him comparatively poor; but he was not poor in that which is far better than money. Wherever he went, children's love was sure to greet and attend him. For years he was accustomed to keep on hand a large stock of books, toys and other suitable gifts for children, and on his annual tours of business through the southern counties of the State, he never failed to take with him some remembrance for each of his numerous youthful friends, and it was always one of his greatest enjoyments to look forward to the happiness he thus conferred. Many of his young friends among us could mark each year from infancy to manhood by the unbroken succession of Good Uncle James' Christmas gifts. To do his duty, to make others happy and win their love, was to him more than wealth or worldly honors. It is hardly needful to say, that such a life and character could rest only on the solid foundation of true Christian principle. In his religious faith and profession he was an earnest and decided churchman, baptized in St. Peter's Church in this city, of which his father was a member—from an early period of his life a devout communicant and for many years, and until his growing infirmities compelled him to withdraw from its active service, one of its most faithful and efficient vestrymen. His whole life, quiet and uneventful
as it was, is a record of daily duties well and faithfully done, blessing others while he lived, and bringing him peace at the last. Journal.

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Death of an Old and Respected Citizen.--Mr. James Dexter deceased this morning. He was in his 74th year. Early in life he was charged with the management of the Goldsboro Danyar estate—then the largest in the city, being for many years of greater magnitude than the Patroonery. It was Mr. Danyar, who built the "big house," south-east corner of Steuben and North Pearl Streets, where Gov. Clinton died and which at the time was considered a wonder in architectural skill. It was by the closest attention and proverbial accuracy of Mr. Dexter—characteristics which followed him through life,—that Mr. Dexter succeeded in building up a fortune. He was a good citizen, and an exemplary man. The immediate cause of Mr. Dexter's death was cancer of the stomach.

Evening Times  
Albany, N.Y.  
August 15, 1837.

JAMES DEXTER, A.M. 1813, a resident of Albany, N.Y., was a member of the Philomathean Society.  
(Died: 1867)

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