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✓ **HOUCK, Jacob, jr.**, a Representative from New York; born in Schoharie, N. Y., January 14, 1801; attended the common schools; studied law, was admitted to the bar, and practiced in Schoharie; district attorney of Schoharie County 1831-1836; elected as a Democrat to the Twenty-seventh Congress (March 4, 1841-March 3, 1843); resumed the practice of law; died in Schoharie, N. Y., October 2, 1857; interment in the Lutheran Cemetery.

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JACOB HOUCK, Esq., A.M., 1822, of Florida, N.Y., was a member of the Adelpic Society.
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DIED:-Suddenly of Disease of the Heart, at his residence in this village, on the evening of the 22nd inst, Hon. Jacob Houck, Jr., in the 56th year of his age.

Maj. Houck was a graduate of Union College, and a classmate of the Hon. Wm. H. Seward, Hon. A.L.Linn, Hon. J.C.Wright, Hon. Joseph White and Hon. D.L.Spraker. He commenced the study of law in the office of Marcus T. Reynolds, who then resided in the County of Montgomery, and completed his studies in the office of the late Abraham Van Vechten, in the city of Albany. After he was admitted to the bar, he opened an office at Cairo, Greene County, where he remained till the fall of 1828, when he removed to Schoharie County, where he has continued to reside up to the day of his decease.

At the time of his death, Maj. Houck was a leading member of the bar of this county, and has served the public in various official capacities; he has been District Attorney and Surrogate of Schoharie County, and was a member of the 27th Congress. In all the public trusts committed to his care, it can with truth be said, that he discharged their onerous duties with credit to himself and honor to his constituents

In private life and in his daily walk and conversation with his friends and neighbors, Maj. Houck was frank, open and generous; and the poor and needy never left his hospitable mansion hungry or in want. His loss will be sincerely deplored by a large circle of friends and acquaintances.

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At a meeting of the Trustees of Schoharie Academy, held on the 30th of October, Peter Osterhout, Sen., in the Chair, the following resolutions were adopted:

Resolved. That the Board of Trustees of Schoharie Academy, with deep regret, herewith record upon their minutes, the death of their late President Jacob Houck, Jr.; they desire unanimously to attest to the satisfactory manner in which he discharged his duties as presiding officer of the Board; and to express their high appreciation of his many excellencies of character, distinguishing his public and private life, which have secured him many warm friends, and which cause his removal to be felt as a public loss.

Resolved. That the Trustees tender to the family of the deceased, the assurance of their sincere sympathy with them in their bereavement; and that a copy of this record duly attested, be transmitted to them.

Resolved. That a copy of the same be published.

J.A.Lintner, Sec'y.

FROM:- Schoharie Republican
November 5, 1857.