

CLASS OF 1823

B. B. WESTFALL

Was called and settled as pastor in 1838. (The Reformed Protestant Dutch Church of Stone Arabia) Under his ministrations the congregation was blessed with a copious revival, over forty persons uniting with the church, on confession, at one time. The church building was also repaired and a new bell procured for it, the whole costing \$2,000. Rev. Mr. Westfall died here, April 6th, 1844, aged 46 years, and was buried under the church. A tablet to his memory is placed in the wall over the pulpit.

FROM History of Montgomery & Fulton Counties, N.Y. p. 155
F. W. Beers & Co.
1878.

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Served one year as pastor of the Presbyterian Church of Ephratah, N. Y. from 1837.

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He had a deep religious experience. This made him eminent as an evangelist although in theology he was a rigid Calvinist. See Manual, 1902.

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Story of Old Fort Plain p. 167
Nelson Greene
1915

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He was brought up on a farm, and, while still a youth, had such deep convictions of sin, that he would lie down in the furrow to get out of sight. In the nine years of his settlement in Ulster Co., about 300 were brought into the church under his ministry. In Montgomery Co., where were his second charges, during the excessive labors and anxieties of a precious revival, he was seized with disease, which resulted in his death. He possessed great firmness, and was unyielding in regard to truth, yet he was far from being dogmatical or exclusive, so as to wish to unchurch those who did not agree with him. He was a rigid Calvinist in his theology, yet a warm advocate of revivals of religion. His own zeal was untiring in seeking to save souls, and he mourned over the lukewarmness of both ministers and people. His sermons breathed his own high convictions of truth, and he aimed at the understandings and consciences of his hearers. His soul travailed in birth for his people, that Christ might be formed in them, the hope of glory.

*BENJAMIN B. WESTFALL.

Born at Claverack, N. Y., 1798. A.B. (Union 1823). Licensed by Classis of New Brunswick, 1826. Missionary at Sand Beach, 1827-28. Rochester and Clove, 1828-34. Rochester, 1834-38. Stone Arabia and Ephratah, 1838-44. Died, 1844.

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Reverend Benjamin B. Westfall of the class of *From -*
1823 at Union graduated here in 1826. He was born at Claverack, New York in 1798. Can you tell me the month and day of his birth? He died in 1844. I wish to know the place of his death and the month and day. *Oct. 1933.*

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Rev. BENAJMIN B. WESTFALL, 1823, of Claverack, N.Y., was a member of the Adelpic Society. (Died: 1844)
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