



THE LATE JOHN W. PORTER.

Born in Wooster, Wayne County, Ohio, April 26th, 1839.
Died in Iowa City, December 7th, 1882.

MEMOIR OF JOHN W. PORTER.

BY THE EDITOR.

1. He was without an enemy or a rival—alike esteemed by all.

2. He was a member of the Sons of Temperance while that order existed here, and of the Good Templars afterward, and he was a discreet and consistent advocate of this cause.

3. He was honored in all agricultural societies of Iowa. He was naturally fond of fast and fine horses, although not to a fault.

4. He was eminently social and cheerful, always greeting all with a smile and kind word, even in passing on the street. He will be greatly missed, not only by his relatives whom he much loved, but by all private citizens of the town and community.

5. But, above all, he was a Christian, and a member and principal supporter of the Christian Society, yet not confined in his sympathies to that sect, but liberal and co-operative with all denominations in every good word and work.

And, now, leaving a venerable mother, a gentle and lovely wife, and dutiful children—indeed, a large circle of relatives—he too early has gone to heaven.

Mr. Porter was one of the Directors of the State Agricultural Society for a term of two years, and was elected its President in January, 1881. He was also President of the Inter-State Association of the Boards of Agriculture, which was organized at Chicago, November 9th, 1881. He was President of the National Association of Lumber Dealers, 1878-79, the principal offices of which are located in Chicago. This has grown to be the most successful trade organization in the world.—*Souvenir*.

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