

HOUSE No. 409.

Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, June 25, 1883.

The committee appointed to attend the funeral of a member of this House, Richman H. Potter of Rutland, have attended to the duty assigned them, and report the accompanying resolutions.

For the Committee,

ALBERT TYLER.
AARON G. WALKER.
SAMUEL I. RICE.
DAVID F. O'CONNELL.
HORACE W. BUSH.

RESOLUTIONS.

RICHMAN H. POTTER was born in Colesville, N. Y., July 6, 1839 ;

He came to Massachusetts, and settled at Rutland about 1873 ;

He was elected to various town offices in the years since his residence there, and at the time of his election to this House held the position of selectman in the town ;

He was chosen to represent the 11th Worcester District in this legislature at the fall election of 1882 ;

He died in Rutland of typhoid fever, May 31st, 1883, aged 43 years ;

His funeral took place Sunday, June 3, at the Congregational Church in Rutland, on which occasion the large attendance of his towns-people, the representative men of his district, and the many friends from adjacent towns, attested to the universal respect and esteem in which he was held in the community where he resided. His remains were buried in Rural Cemetery, near the centre of the town.

It is, therefore, hereby

Resolved, That the House of Representatives of Massachusetts, recognizing the great truth that all must die, and remembering that no age or condition gives immunity from the general law, expresses its sorrow at the sudden decease of one of its respected members, RICHMAN H. POTTER of Rutland, representative of the 11th Worcester District, at the early age of 43, and in the midst of his strength and usefulness. Believing that there are other and nearer relations than those which have here been formed in the circle of legislative duty, which made him the centre of a social and

neighborly affection, and the object of the holiest and profoundest love in his home, this House, out of its own griefs, personal and fraternal, extends to the wife, children, family, and friends of the departed its unmeasured sympathy ;

Resolved, That the family be furnished with a copy of this report, and that it be inscribed upon the records of this House.

