

**Catharine J. Heston**, (1833 – 22 Oct 1909), Perry County Democrat, October 27, 1909

After many months of suffering from Bright's disease, **Miss Catharine J. Heston** peacefully passed away at her home in Centre Township, near this place Friday evening, October 23, 1909, aged 73yrs. 3mo, and 15 days. She died sitting up in her chair, as she had not been able to lie down for some time owing to her dropsical condition. During her long illness she was tenderly cared for and waited on by her two nieces, **Misses Maggie Liester** and **Bertha Heston**, who have made their homes with the deceased since they were little girls, and everything that loving hearts and willing hands could do was done to make her comfortable and relieve her sufferings.

**Miss Catharine J. Heston** was born in 1833, in Springfield, Delaware County, Pa. She was the daughter of **Morris W.** and **Hettie (Davis) Heston**, and a great-granddaughter of **Colonel Heston** of the Revolutionary fame, who was afterward **Judge Heston**, after whom the town Hestonville, a suburb of Philadelphia was named. The deceased came to this county with her parents in 1866. Her father bought the farm, where she has since lived. Her parents have been dead for many years. **Miss Heston** was the last of a family of eight children. She was a woman of great willpower and strength of character, but kind and affectionate, and was loved and respected by all who knew her. She was a member of the New Jerusalem Church (Swedenborgian) and was a good woman, exemplifying in her daily life the true Christian spirit. Her life was full of good deeds and she will be sadly missed by those who knew her. To her devoted nieces we extend our sincere sympathy.

The funeral took place on Monday. Services were conducted at her late home by Rev. William L. Worcester, of Philadelphia, a prominent divine of the New Jerusalem Church, and her remains were laid to rest in the Bloomfield Cemetery . The pall-bearers were; **I.G. Brunner, Samuel Kepperly, Morton Magee, Charles Magee, John Sanderson** and **Christian T. Clegg**.