

James Forbes Beale

(- 4 Apr 1835)

Beale. Died on Tuesday night, the 4th inst., after a short but painful illness, James Forbes, eldest son of Mr. Robert Beale, in the thirteenth year of his age. In the death of this beautiful boy, beloved by all who knew him for his mild, gentle, and affectionate disposition, his agonized parents have received a blow which time alone can heal. None but a fond parent can have the least conception of the intense agony of such a privation; and to attempt consolation under such a state of feeling and misery would be utterly vain and unavailing. The dear image of the lost one will rise, and the wound will rankle till time has, in some degree, mellowed or obliterated the memory of the past. The fairest and sweetest flowers are of the shortest duration; and there is something often in the developments of a child destined to an early grave that would seem to indicate that God had determined to remove him, in his state of innocence and purity, from this world of sin, corruption, and misery. The parent will, however, mourn:

"And yet why mourn? That deep repose
Shall never more be broke by pain,
Those lips no more in sighs unclosed,
Those eyes shall never weep again:
For think not that the blushing flower
Shall wither in the church-yard sod;
'Twas made to gild an angel's bower
Within the paradise of God."

The funeral will take place this day at 12 o'clock and the friends and acquaintances of the family are invited to attend.