

Cornelia Elizabeth Beers

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"In the midst of life we are in death."

Died, on the 10th instant at St. Joseph's Academy near Emmettsburg, Maryland, Miss Cornelia Elizabeth Beers, second daughter of Isaac and Millie Ann Beers, of the city of Washington, aged fifteen years and two months.

In recording the death of this amiable young lady, do we find the above words truly realized. A few days ago, the young, amiable, and interesting Cornelia gladdened the hearts of her youthful companions; companions; consoled and edified her beloved teachers by her mild and docile manners, and her delighted, happy parents promised themselves many blissful days in her sweet society; but, alas! the scene is changed; these hopes are fled; the fond anticipations of a tender mother, of a devoted father are fled; never are they to be realized. Death, the ruthless destroyer, came and seized lovely prize; youth and talents fled before him; like the tender blossom nipped in the bud, was she called from amongst us. She has ceased to live on earth; her mild and gentle spirit has sought a more congenial clime, where such flowers never fade. Cornelia rests in the bosom of her God, we trust. Such is our hope.

A while to earth such souls are given,
Our pathway to illumine;
To point us out the road to heaven,
And endless bliss beyond the tomb.