

STONEHAM SENTINEL  
Saturday August 27, 1864

COL. J. PARKER GOULD.

This worthy citizen and noble patriot who has early fallen a victim to the ravages of war, will long continue to hold a high place in the memory of his fellow citizens who honored him for his virtues and appreciated his sterling worth. He was a graduate of Norwich Military Academy, and adopting the profession of civil engineer, was connected with the location and building of several [sic] important railroads. He twice represented Stoneham in the State Legislature. In the spring of 1861 he raised a company in this town, called the "Stoneham Grey Eagles." which was attached to the 13<sup>th</sup> Regt., and went into camp at Fort Independence. He was soon after commissioned Major, and during the campaigns that followed, distinguished himself by his bravery in every engagement.

Last fall he was authorized to raise the 4<sup>th</sup> Veteran Regiment, which he did, leaving the State in the command of the 59<sup>th</sup>, last April. Since that time his regiment has seen very hard service, of which Col. Gould has had his share. Recently he commanded a brigade in the 9<sup>th</sup> Corps. In the assault on Petersburg July 30, he received a severe wound, and suffered amputation of the leg. From this wound he was unable to recover, and although receiving the best of attention, died on the 21<sup>st</sup> of this month at Philadelphia.

Last Tuesday evening a meeting of citizens was assembled in the square fronting the Post Office, to take measures for the funeral of our late fellow citizen. Lyman Dike, Esq., presided. The following committee of

arrangements was chosen:-Allen Rowe, John H. Dike, E.T. Whittier, John Hill and Leander F. Lynde. The funeral exercises will take place today from the Orthodox Church, at one o'clock, P.M. with appropriate military ceremonies. Members of the State Government will be present, with a band and escort. We are unable to lay before our readers the correct order of exercises, but the matter is in the hands of gentlemen who will not fail to perfect such arrangements as are due to the memory of one so loved and honored. In our next issue we shall give a sketch of Col. Gould's life, and a full report of the funeral exercises.

Notes: Col. Gould's date of death is reported as August 21, 1864 in his military record, on the Civil War monument in Lindenwood Cemetery and the Stoneham Town Clerk's records. The date of August 22, 1864 is recorded on his gravestone in Lindenwood Cemetery.

The Orthodox Church referred to in the article is the First Congregational Church built in 1840 on Main Street between what is now Common Street and Church Street.

The Post Office referred to in the article was on first floor of the Dow Building located at the junction of Main Street and Central Street.

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