

Death of Ex-Governor Ford.

We learn with feelings of profound sorrow of the death of our much esteemed ex governor, Thos. Ford, which occurred on Sunday, at Peoria. Having been raised in our state from childhood, participated in her early struggles, as a territory, cotemporary with her admission into the Union, and being an actor in all her political history—he has become endeared to us by no common ties. Gov. Ford was one amongst the first lawyers in Illinois, in which profession he became an ornament. For many years he distinguished himself as an able judge of the circuit court, was elected by the legislature to the supreme bench, from which high station he was called to take charge of one more exalted, as governor of the state, where his duties were arduous and difficult. We deplore his loss as a citizen and public man, and as a devoted personal friend.

But a short time since we announced the death of Mrs. Ford, the *mother*, to-day the death of the *father*. May the orphan's tear find sympathy from the hearts of those around them.