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DAVID PLANT, the only son of Solomon and Sarah (Bennett) Plant, of Stratford, Connecticut, and grandson of James and Bathsheba (Page) Plant, of Stratford, was born on March 29, 1783. He was prepared for College at the Episcopal Academy in Cheshire, and entered after the opening of the Sophomore year.

After graduation he studied law in the Litchfield Law School, and then settled for practice in his native town.

He entered early into politics, and represented Stratford in the Lower House of the General Assembly in May, 1814, and in all the sessions of 1817, 1818, 1819, and 1820. He was then a State Senator in 1821 and 1822, and for the four next years Lieutenant Governor. His active career closed with his service as a Member of Congress for one term, 1827-29. In later years he continued to be a staunch Whig. In these years he also gave much attention to the investigation of historical questions, and made considerable acquisitions in that line of study. In all the relations of life he was esteemed and honored.

After a few days of slight indisposition, he fell dead in the street, in Stratford, from disease of the heart, on October 18, 1851, in his 69th year.

He married on December 5, 1810, Catharine, only daughter of Dr. William A. and Phebe (Lewis) Tomlinson, of Stratford, who died on June 2, 1835, in her 48th year. Their children were three sons and two daughters.

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