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The citizens of Elston and surrounding country, were surprised and shocked on Friday morning, when it was announced that Elias Elston was dead. He had been in daily attendance in his store and of late seemed to be in unusual good spirit and health. On Thursday evening when about to retire from his store to his residence, he was suddenly attacked with a severe stroke of paralysis about the regions of the heart. He became at once helpless and was conveyed to his residence, where he suffered and lingered until Friday morning, when he passed away. All was done that could be done to relieve him, but nothing seemed to have any effect. He had suffered a light stroke of the disease about two years ago and had so far recovered and improved in health, that his friends had hoped he had passed the crisis of another attack. Mr. Elston was born and raised here, and has done a mercantile business here for about 30 years, he built himself up a good custom and has had a good trade, and the confidence of the people for many years. No man's loss will be so severely felt in the community as his. He was a kind, accommodating business man, and was never known to push or crowd his customers but worry along and assist them all he could to meet their payments. Mr. Elston leaves a wife and six small children for whom this whole community deeply sympathize in this their great loss and bereavement. Mr. Elston was a good citizen ever foremost with his means, influence and energy in every laudable enterprise in the community, he was a kind friend, a good neighbor, and a friend to the poor, honest and charitable as all will attest who knew him. His remains were followed to the grave on Saturday by a large gathering of relatives, friends and citizens of the surrounding country, to witness the last tribute of respect and solemn duty of placing his remains in their last and long resting place in the Elston cemetery.