Sacred to the memory of | Mr. Ephraim Willard | who died Nov. 22, 1838, | aged 55 years & 10 months. | Also | Frederick Augustus, | infant son, who died | May 8, 1827, | aged 8 months. | Frederick Augustus | Willard | Aged 8 months, | Died May 8th, 1826.



## Query.

Did Americo (or Amerigo) Vespucci give his name to America or did America give its name to him? I have read that Vespucci in his visit to the Western World landed on an island off the coast of South America or Central America, perhaps one of the West Indies or a more southern group; that the natives called the island "Merica"; that he inferred that the whole country, continental as well as insular, was called by the Aborigines "Merica"; just as all Canada is said to have been named from what the natives meant a village or collection of houses (kanata); that Vespucci wrote a book about "Merica" from which circumstance the prenomen America was added to his name; just as Scipio Africanus was so named from his achievements in Africa. I have also