

[Smith, Luella Dowd]

MRS. LUELLA D. SMITH

"The Hudson Daily Star" on July 7, carried a remarkable tribute to the late Mrs. Luella Dowd Smith whose death occurred on July 4, in her home at Hudson. Mrs. Smith was in her ninety-fourth year. She was an author of note, publishing several books of verse. An outstanding work was "The Value of the Church," published in 1898. She was an untiring worker and writer for temperance, serving the County Women's Temperance Union for many years as president. With her sister, Miss Alice Dowd she published a volume of poetry, entitled, "Along the Way." She was also accomplished as a painter. During here entire life she was an ardent Universalist, serving as teacher and superintendent for twenty-five years in the Sunday School of the [recently defunct] Universalist Church at Hudson. Her activities also included the work of equal suffrage and the Humane Society. She is survived by her sister, Miss Alice Dowd. The funeral service was conducted by the Rev. Charles B. Thompson, pastor of the Baptist church. Interment was made in the cemetery at Sheffield, Mass., her native town.

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