Sheldon Hinds Elderkin

Sheldon Hinds Elderkin passed away at his home in Flycreek, Dec. 21st. Mr. Elderkin was born in Flycreek Valley on the Hinds' homestead, seventyfour years ago last October. On December 13th, 1871, he married Miss Ella S. Colman, the eldest daughter of Lester and Marietta Fake Colman. [She died on 22 Jan 1915.] Fifty years ago this coming year he and his wife moved to the Fayette Hinds farm where he has since resided until about two weeks ago. To their union two daughters were born, Jennie M., the first wife of Peter McDonough, who passed away some years ago [and] Mary S., the first wife of Lee E. Fitch who passed away six years ago last November. He then married Mrs. Lizzie Frytza of Flycreek, who survives him, besides he leaves a brother, William Elderkin of Buffalo, and a sister, Mrs. Eva Stowell of North Dakota and five grandchildren and three great-grandchildren and several nieces and nephews. The funeral was held in the Flycreek Universalist church on Sunday, December 24th, the Rev. Chas. Kramer conducting the services. The Grangers, Odd Fellows and Rebekahs attending in a body. Burial was in Flycreek Valley cemetery.

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