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DEWITT MITCHELL

The death of DeWitt Mitchell, a highly respected resident of this village, occurred at his residence on East Main Street Friday, January 9 as the result of an attack of pneumonia. Mr. Mitchell was a lifelong resident of Otsego county, having been born in the town of Burlington on January 27, 1832, the son of Samuel and Rebecca Mitchell. The greater part of his life was lived in and near the village of Schuyler Lake. The deceased one of the leading and most prosperous hop growers in this section. It was with an exhibit of a specimen of his fiftieth annual crop of hops in Madison Square Garden, New York, in 1911, that he won the \$1,000 cup offered by the late [Adolphus?] Busch for the best specimen of hops grown in the United States. He retired from active life several years ago and moved to this village.

On October 9, 1866, Mr. Mitchell married Mary Herkimer of Schuyler Lake. Mrs. Mitchell and an only child, Lizzie Mitchell, survive him; also a sister, Mrs. Alfred Wood of West Winfield and several other relatives, including Bradley Fuller, district attorney, Utica, and Don Wood of Plainfield.

After a prayer at the house on Monday afternoon the body was taken to Schuyler Lake and the funeral service held in the Universalist church in that village, Rev. L. H. Robinson officiating. Interment was made in Schuyler Lake.

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