## [Munson, Augustus C.]

## UNDERTAKER DIES SUDDENLY

A. C. Munson Was Conducting Funeral at Death He Was Native of Stockholm and a Resident of Winthrop

Winthrop, Jan. 26.—Augustus C. Munson, a well known furniture dealer and undertaker of Winthrop, died suddenly at the Roman Catholic Church at Brasher Falls last Tuesday forenoon while officiating at the funeral of John Connolly of Brasher Palls whose death occurred Sunday. Mr. Munson had entered the church and assisted in properly placing the casket, turned and passed down the aisle, remarking as he went out at the door that he did not feel well. Just after he was noticed to be falling. Neighbors went to his assistance, carrying him into the vestry of the church and laying him on a couch where he instantly expired, never once speaking or regaining consciousness. A physician was summoned and all possible methods employed to win back life, but without avail. Mr. Munson was 70 years of age, a life long resident of the town of Stockholm. For a number of years he has resided at Winthrop, doing a large business. He was regarded with high esteem and confidence as a citizen and business man. He was a broad, liberal, charitable thinker, taking deep interest in politics and the leading topics of the day and kind and tender hearted to a large degree. Mr. Munson had been in declining health for three or four years but upon the morning of the day of his death, he was apparently as well as he had been for a long time. The sad event has caused much sorrow in Winthrop and Brasher where he had so long conducted business which associations closely connected both towns and creating a wide circle of acquaintances by whom he was highly regarded. The funeral was under the auspices of the Odd Fellows of which he was an active member. The lodge attended in a body. The funeral was conducted by undertaker G. L. Shepard of Norwood who has at times assisted Mr. Munson. The funeral was largely attended from the Universalist church last Thursday afternoon, the Rev. John Price of Canton officiating as clergyman. The large attendance at the funeral, together with the abundance of rare and beautiful flowers bore silent testimony of the upright life, and of the great love and esteem given one widely known as neighbor and friend. When quite a young man Mr. Munson was married to Miss Maria Seaver of Stockholm by whom he is survived. He is also survived by one daughter, Mrs. J. F. Rydene of New York City; two sisters Mrs. M. D. Reed of Norwood and Mrs. J. P. Sawin of Winthrop; three brothers H. R. Munson of Manchester, N.H., Fayette Munson of Massena, and Ira E. Munson of Pentwater, Mich. Relatives from out of town attending the funeral were Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Rydene of New York City, Mr. and Mrs. R. D. Reed of Norwood, Fayette Munson of Massena, Mr. and Mrs. R. Newton of Parishville, Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Doud of Chatfield, Minn.

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