Payneville, N.Y. (By Special Correspondent)

Payneville, N.Y.—A sad gloom was cast over this community last Thursday morning when it became known that death had entered a happy home and had taken a kind and loving husband and father.

Frank Horatio Payne was born in the town of Willing at Payneville, N.Y., July 18, 1856 and died at his home, Feb. 5th, 1925 after three years of intense suffering.

All that a loving faithful wife and children and medical aid could do was to no avail and he passed peacefully on to his reward.

Frank H. Payne was the youngest son of Major and Orilla Harris Payne. He has always lived in or near his birthplace. Choosing as his occupation that of farming he made a success of it. [On] July 29, 1874 he was married to Miss Josephine Wilson of Whitesville and to this union was [sic] born four daughters, Mrs. Susie Jones, Whitesville; Mrs. Almira Bean, North Bingham; Mrs. Orilla Cornell, Genesee; Mrs. Effie Bean of Mills, Pa.

Being of a quiet, peaceful disposition he won for himself the highest esteem of all that made his acquaintance. Having no boys, he took and reared Lewis Silsby of West Clarksville and he shared their home until he grew to manhood.

Last July Mr. and Mrs. Payne celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary at the home of their daughter, Mrs. L. C. Jones.

Mr. Payne is survived by his wife, four daughters, thirteen grandchildren, thirteen great-grandchildren, Mr. Silsby, besides two sisters, Mrs. Emeline Payne [and] Mrs. Maryetta Spicer, nephews and nieces and other relatives and a large circle of friends who extend to the sorrowing ones their heartfelt sympathy.

The farewell service was held at his late home Saturday at 2 o'clock, Rev. Wm. E. Manning Todd of the Universalist church officiating. Two beautiful songs were rendered by Mr. and Mrs. George Forsythe: "Beautiful Isle of Somewhere" and "We Are One Day Nearer Home."

The casket was covered with lovely flowers and the house crowded with sorrowing relatives and friends to pay their last respects to one who was so widely known and respected.

The body was tenderly laid to rest in the family plot in Rural Cemetery at Whitesville.

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