

[Phelps, Newman S.]

Died Near Oswego

Newman S. Phelps, A Well Known Rochesterian, Expires of Heart Disease

The following Associated Press dispatch was received this morning:

Oswego, Aug. 6.—Newman S. Phelps of Rochester, aged about 60 years, a member of the Rochester Yacht Club and a prominent Mason, while on a yachting trip at Oswego, died very suddenly at this port this morning from heart disease. He had been afflicted with the disease a number of years. He leaves a family at Rochester. The remains will be sent there for interment. The Majel left at 5:30 a.m. When three miles in the lake and while Mr. Phelps was at the wheel, he suddenly dropped dead. The yacht returned to port with the body.

Newman S. Phelps was about 60 years of age, and a member of the firm of D. J. McLennan & Co., of 276 Main street.

The deceased was the father-in-law of Mr. McLennan. He was well known in Rochester, having been in the tobacco business for many years, part of which time he was agent for W. S. Kimball & Co. He was a prominent Mason, and belonged to Valley Lodge, Hamilton Chapter, Doric Council, and Monroe Commandery, Nobles of the Mystic Shrine, Golden Rule Chapter No. 59, O.E.S. and treasurer of the Western New York Masonic Relief Association. Mr. Phelps was also a well known figure at the Hebard Club and president of the Abelard Club.

About a year ago Mr. Phelps began to be troubled with heart disease... On Saturday last he went on a trip to Sodus and Oswego in compliance with an invitation from J. George Cramer. His friends did not wish him to go, fearing that the excitement incident upon sailing a yacht would overtax his already shattered nerves.

Mr. Phelps resided at No. 15 Marshall street, corner South. He leaves a wife [Rhoda Ellen Lovecraft Phelps]. His daughter, Mrs. D. J. [Addie] McLennan died a few weeks since.

...His last request was to be buried by the Monroe Commandery. In all probability that request will be complied with.

*Union and Advertiser, Rochester NY, Tue. 6 Aug 1889 (slightly abridged)*

Newman S. Phelps Funeral

The funeral of the late Newman S. Phelps will take place to-morrow afternoon from the house and at 2:30 from the Universalist church, South Clinton street.

*Union and Advertiser, Rochester NY, Wed. 7 Aug 1889*