

[Plumb, Isaac Sr.]

CHENANGO COUNTY

Sherburne, Sept. 9.—(Special) Hon. Isaac Plumb died at 8:22 last night. He had been failing for some time. Until about two months ago he had been attending to his duties as justice of the peace. He was born in New York city, June 18, 1803 of Connecticut parentage. He learned the chairmakers' trade and was an active fireman under the volunteer system, and belonged to the old 27th New York militia (the famous 7th) and won a flintlock musket in a prize drill, which he preserved thru life. He married Feb. 22, 1841, Miss Catharine E. Grant, who survives. In 1842 he removed to Sherburne for the purpose of working at his trade for Whitman Kenyon, who is now a prominent business man in Brooklyn. Mr. Plumb soon went into the furniture and undertaking business for himself, which he conducted nearly 50 years. He was a democrat until the passage of the Kansas-Nebraska bill, and a republican since. In 1856, at the first town meeting carried by republicans, he was elected justice of the peace and held the office thirty-seven and a half years in all. He declined a re-election in 1868, but was chosen in 1871 to fill the vacancy caused by the death of Hiram Briggs, and was continued by successive re-elections until his death. He was supervisor for thirteen successive years beginning in 1865. In 1876 he was a member of assembly. He was president of the village at the time of the construction of the waterworks and was elected on that issue. He was a member of the Universalist church and for a long time its treasurer. Besides his wife, he is survived by his daughter Anna, wife of E. Leroy Smith, and his son, Henry G. Plumb of New York, a successful artist. His eldest son, Captain Isaac Plumb, jr., died in 1864 of wounds received in action.

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