[Allen, Arthur F.]

RICHFIELD

Arthur F. Allen, a lifelong resident of this village, died at his home Wednesday, February 9th, after an illness of less than four weeks.

Mr. Allen was born April 29, 1856, on a farm about one mile from his present home. When a small child, his father, Henry Allen, and mother, Ellen Rooker, with two other children, Everette and Mary, moved to the home where he since resided with his sister, Mary, and an adopted son, Thomas McGinniss, who cared for him during his illness. His brother, Everette, married and lives in the old home. His life was spent in farming and [he] being a lover of nature the work held a strong appeal for him. When a young man he united with the Universalist Church in this place, and seldom was there a service from which he was absent, or any cause in which the church was interested in which he did not take a prominent part. Being conscientious and a man of the strictest integrity he was held in high esteem.

The funeral was held from his home Friday afternoon, Rev. Boorn of Cooperstown officiating. Interment was made in the family plot situated on the farm, where he lies with his ancestors.

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