

[Barney, Susie Hall]

Susie Hall Barney

Following an illness of about seven days of pneumonia, Mrs. Delwin C. Barney of West Union passed peacefully over the great unknown divide, Sunday afternoon at about six o'clock, aged 61 years.

Susie Hall Barney was born at Hallsport and died at the farm home in West Union. She was educated at Andover and Alfred developing an artistic nature of splendid fineness. She produced a number of very fine oil paintings and taught successfully for about three years following which she was united in marriage to Delwin C. Barney on Jan. 4th, 1885. They reared a fine family of six children, two daughters, Mrs. P. S. Coats of this village and Mrs. Lee Heselton of Payneville, and four sons, Mason and Harry of Palmetto, Fla., Milan at home and Howard H. of this village.

Mrs. Barney was an active member of the Mary A. Livermore Suffrage Club taking great pride in the work accomplished in this organization until it realized its goal and became the present Woman's Civic Club and her interest continued to help in making the new organization a success.

Her work as Secretary of the Whitesville High School Board extending over a number of years was of the highest order. It was probably in a measure due to her untiring vigil at the bedside of her stricken brother-in-law, George D. Barney, whom she tenderly cared for during his illness which terminated fatally six days previous to her own death, that so drew upon her vitality as to render her unable to rally when stricken. Being a woman of rare tact and good judgment she reached a place of high position and responsibility in the home town. She was never heard to speak ill of her associates.

She was also a member of the Sawyer Woman's Relief Corps.

While the passing over the borderland is a staggering blow to the entire family it perhaps falls heaviest on her aged aunt, Mrs. Fanny Heseltine who looked to her for aid and comfort in her declining years. The loss to the family is so stunning that as yet the full meaning of her loss can scarcely be realized.

The funeral was held from the late home, yesterday, Wednesday, at 11 a.m., Rev. J. [James] D. Herrick [Universalist] of Towanda, Pa., officiating and interment in the family plot in Rural Cemetery.

Mrs. Barney was the last member of the Hall family.

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