

[Benedict, Charles]

LITTLE FALLS

Death of Charles Benedict, a Highly Esteemed Resident

LITTLE FALLS, March 29.—Charles Benedict, a well known and much esteemed citizen of this city, died at his home on Garden street at about one o'clock this morning. Death was due to a stroke of paralysis, which the deceased suffered a little over a week ago. Mr. Benedict was born April 14, 1827 in the town of German Flatts. At the age of 17 he went to Mohawk and served his apprenticeship in the wagonmaker's trade. In 1851 he moved to Little Falls and engaged in the wagonmaking business, which business he continued up to the time of his death. In 1850 he was married to Miss Susan Cordelia Kelley, by whom he had three children, two daughters and a son. Irving Benedict, the son, is engaged in business with his father. The daughters are Mrs. F. [Fred] H. Gowan and Mrs. R. F. Pratt, both of this city.

For a good many years Mr. Benedict had been identified with local politics, and his advice had always been sought for and acted upon in any important matter. He was a lifelong democrat. He served for twelve years on the board of education and acted as school trustee for nine years. Mr. Benedict was one of the oldest Masons in the city and took great interest in that organization. He was what is nowadays called a self-made man in every respect. He had many friends, to whom he was always willing to lend a helping hand, and few enemies—who respected him for his honesty, integrity and sterling qualities.

The funeral will be held from the Universalist church Friday, which church Mr. Benedict attended, and was closely connected with its affairs. Rev. V. [Vincent] E. Tomlinson will officiate.

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