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James Booth, true patriot, sterling citizen, staunch friend and kindly neighbor, answered the last bugle call of earth Wednesday morning, and now is numbered among that vast array of the soldiers of the Civil War who have gone on before. Brave upon the battlefield, he was braver still in his endurance through a half century of a cruel legacy of the conflict—the pain of a wound which never wholly healed. It was this wound which first compelled him to use a cane, then crutches, and finally caused his death. The spirit of the man was indomitable and his patience marvelous. Daily he overtaxed his strength, determined not to surrender to the affliction which by many men would have been considered beyond bearing. In the days of his last illness the sweetness and strength of his nature were manifest in an unfailing consideration for those who attended him. Mr. Booth stood high in the esteem and confidence of his fellow townsmen and was held in special affection by his comrades of the Grand Army. He was for several years a useful member of the Town Board.

James Booth was born not far from the town of Victor August 5th, 1838 and nearly his entire life was spent in this vicinity. At the beginning of the Civil War he enlisted as a private in Co. D, 4th Regiment N.Y. Vol. Heavy Artillery. He was promoted to the rank of corporal, was wounded in the service, and was honorably discharged because of his wound [on] July 20th, 1864. He married Miss Juliet Simpson in Canandaigua, December 27th, 1866. Three children were born to them, Milton S., who died at the age of six, Florence E. and Roy J., who reside in this village. A brother Cassius and two sisters, Mrs. Wesley Cline of East Rochester and Mrs. Celia Trost of Hilton, also survive Mr. Booth.

The funeral services will be held from the family residence on West Main street at 2 o'clock this (Friday) afternoon, the Rev. E. [Edwin] P. Wood, former pastor of St. Paul's Universalist church officiating. Interment will be made in Boughton Hill Cemetery.

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