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### CHARLES E. BROWN DIES AT WATERTOWN HOME Best Known as the Acting Head of the Union Carriage and Gear Company

WATERTOWN, Jan. 23.—Charles E. Brown, for the past twenty years secretary and treasurer of the Union Carriage & Gear Co. of this city, died suddenly about midnight last night at his residence, No. 129 Keyes avenue. Mr. Brown had been in his usual health of late and did not seem to be feeling indisposed when he retired. He had been sitting up reading until about 10 o'clock. About ten minutes before his death Mrs. Brown heard him coughing and, knowing that he had been troubled slightly for the past two weeks or more with his heart, went to his assistance. She found him rapidly failing and immediately summoned Dr. Charles E. Pierce and later Dr. Barnette. Death occurred, however, before the arrival of either physician.

Known Throughout Northern N. Y.

Mr. Brown was prominent among the business men of this city and Northern New York and for the past twenty-five years or more had been connected with many business enterprises throughout this section. He was best known through his connection with the Union Carriage and Gear Company, as he had been its active head since taking the office of secretary and treasurer.

Mr. Brown was born in Champion sixty-one years ago, the son of Elam Brown and Mary Waldo Brown. He lived on a farm in that village during his early life and secured his early education in the little district school of the village. After studying there for several years he entered the Clinton Liberal Institute at Fort Plain, where he was a student for several years.

He later returned to Champion and entered the tannery business with Charles Parish. He remained in that business for some time, finally coming to this city between twenty-five and thirty years ago. Upon coming to the city he entered into partnership with H. F. Inglehart, and the two conducted a grocery on Public Square and also engaged in the business of shipping cattle to the Northern New York and Eastern markets.

He was elected to the office of secretary and treasurer of the Union Carriage and Gear Company about twenty years ago, and has been the head of the firm since then. Several years ago he, in company with Mr. Inglehart, bought and managed the Star Lake Inn, which, however, was sold upon the death of Mr. Inglehart a short time later.

Connected With Many Enterprises

Mr. Brown was actively interested in many of the enterprises of this section. He was a member of the Executive Board of the trustees of the Watertown Savings Bank, with which institution he has been connected for

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several years. At the time of his death he was president of the Jefferson County Telephone Company. He recently served one term as president of the Lincoln League and for many years has been a prominent member of that organization. He was also one of the governors of the Black River Valley Club. He was a member of Watertown City Lodge of Odd Fellows and for many years was an active worker in the affairs of the Universalist Church.

Besides his wife Mrs. Cornelia Rose Brown, who was born in the town of Champion, near Mr. Brown's early home, he leaves only a nephew, Forest Brown.

The funeral will be held at the home Tuesday afternoon at 2 o'clock, Rev. Moses H. Harris, pastor of the Universalist Church, officiating, assisted by the Rev. Harry Skeeles of Little Falls.

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