

[Dillenback, Andrew J.]

Death of a Citizen of Chaumont for Whom Many Mourn

Jan. 3.—Andrew J. Dillenback, a farmer and well-known business-man, died Thursday night at 9, at his residence on the outskirts of this village, aged 65 years. He has been since last October confined to the house with an incurable disease, which he bore with patience and fortitude, expressing himself as being perfectly resigned to the heavenly will.

He was the eldest son of the late William Dillenbeck and Peggy Jenkins who came in their youth from Herkimer county to the town of Orleans in this county, where they were married, and where Andrew J. Dillenback was born. He married Kate Cornwall, of St. Lawrence, by whom he had six children: Fred, Luther, Jay, Addie, Gertrude and George. In April, 1897, his daughter Addie died, and in July last his wife. The loss of these dear ones was a heavy blow to the loving husband and father, who was then suffering from the malady which caused his death.

The funeral was held from his late home on Saturday at 1. The officiating clergyman was Rev. L. Rice, of Watertown, a Universalist minister and personal friend of the Dillenback family, who profess that faith. Rev. W. G. Atwell, of the M. E. church, made a prayer and the venerable Mr. Price delivered a eulogy in the life and character of Mr. Dillenback, which was a fitting tribute to the merits of the man, for no community ever lost a more useful citizen than he. Kind-hearted, obliging, gentle as a woman, and generous to a fault, he literally obeyed the Scriptural injunction, for inasmuch as he did not let his left hand know what his right hand did. Such was Jack Dillenback, and this community mourns the loss of an upright citizen and a sincere friend. Mr. Dillenback was a life-long Democrat.

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