[Empie, Charles M.]

NATIVE OF BAY DIES AT DEXTER

Charles M. Empie, 91, formerly of Three Mile Bay, died last Thursday morning at the home of his daughter, Mrs. B. W. Wood, Dexter, with whom he had resided for the past 6 years. Death was due to the infirmities of old age.

Mr. Empie is well known throughout this section and the county. He was supervisor from the town of Lyme from 1874 to 1876. He served as town clerk of Lyme in 1870 and in 1871 and was also excise commissioner for three years and served one term as justice of the peace, being elected in 1905.

He was an active Mason and a member of Chaumont Lodge, No. 172, F. & A. M. He was the oldest member of the Chaumont Lodge.

Mr. Empie was born December 28, 1845, the son of the late Charles and Abigail Lasell Empie who lived on a farm about a mile west of Three Mile Bay. He spent his early life in that section and obtained his education in the district schools. For several years he was a clerk in the Schuyler-McKinstry store in Three Mile Bay.

On March 5, 1873, Mr. Empie married Miss Amelia Etta Wells, of Three Mile Bay, and for a time they resided at Point Peninsula. Later he took up farming on the homestead farm, remaining there until he moved to the village of Three Mile Bay in 1907.

His first wife died February 7, 1896, and on Thanksgiving day, 1900, he married Mrs. Julia D. Wells. She died May 26, 1931.

Mr. Empie had always enjoyed good health until his fatal illness.

Besides his daughter, Mrs. Burt W. Wood, of Dexter, he is survived by three granddaughters, Mrs. Emerson Peck and Mrs. Kenneth Percy, both of Watertown, and Mrs. Charles Wyman, of Oneonta.

Funeral services were held Saturday afternoon. A prayer service was held at the home of his daughter in Dexter at 1:30 and funeral services were held from his home in Three Mile Bay at 3:00, Rev. Harry Westbrook Reed, pastor of the Dexter Universalist Church, officiating. Interment was made in the Three Mile Bay Cemetery, with Masonic services being conducted at the grave.

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