

[Fenton, Alice Tew]

MRS. M. L. FENTON

DEATH OF PROMINENT WOMAN OF THE CITY WEDNESDAY NIGHT.  
She Recently Returned From North Carolina Where She Had Been Taken Ill—  
Mrs. Fenton Was Active in Intellectual Life of the City and Was  
Identified With the Unitarian Church—Entire Life in This Vicinity

The death of Mrs. Alice Tew Fenton, wife of Martin L. Fenton, which occurred at the family home, 509 Prendergast avenue, Wednesday evening at 8 o'clock came as a great shock to a wide circle of friends and acquaintances although it had been known that she had returned from the south recently in a critical condition. She went south with her husband during the spring and was taken seriously ill at Hendersonville, N.C. Besides her husband she is survived by one son, Harry W. Fenton, of this city and one brother, Charles H. Tew, of Nice, France. Her age was 73 years.

Mrs. Fenton was a native of Jamestown and was the daughter of the late William H. Tew. Practically her entire life was passed in the city of her birth with the exception of a few years in her early married life which were spent at Frewsburg. She was educated in the old Jamestown academy and in a woman's college at Clinton, N.Y. [probably the Female Department of the Clinton Liberal Institute, a Universalist institution]. Her entire life was devoted to the best intellectual interests of the city and her home. Her activities are indicated by the fact that she was an active member of the Fortnightly club, the New Century Art club, the Avon club, Browning Students' class and the Plus Ultra circle, C.L.S.C. She also served for several years as a member of the board of directors of the W.C.A. hospital, and at the time of her death was also active as vice president of the Agnes Home association.

Mrs. Fenton was brought up in the strong Universalist atmosphere of her father's home and was a member of the old Universalist society of this city. Upon the organization of the Independent Congregational church (Unitarian) she became a member of that society and was always active in its work. Mrs. Fenton had very high ideals and an earnest nature and was invariably a real power in anything in which she devoted her interests. She was a high type of wife, mother and friend and was gifted with a remarkable sense of justice. With a strong mind and high principles she filled a large place in the community and will be sadly missed. In the church where her religious interests were devoted and the Liberal Christian guild of that church she will be mourned but in her home where her deeper interests centered during a happy married life of over 50 years there will be the greatest void. The husband and other near relatives have the sincere sympathy of the community.

The funeral will be held from the home, Friday afternoon at 4 o'clock. Those wishing to see Mrs. Fenton will have an opportunity to do so between the hours of 2 and 3 p.m. on the day of the funeral. Flowers are gratefully declined.

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