## [Fikes, James W.]

## JAMES W. FIKES, HERKIMER, IS DEAD

Herkimer—James W. Fikes, 85, resident of this village for the past (43?) years, died at his home, (208?) Margaret Street, Thursday night, Feb. 27, 1936, following an illness since Feb. 2, from complications.

Mr. Fikes was born in the Town of Stark Nov. 18, 1859, a son of the late Michael and Mary Shaul Fikes. They lived in that section for about 40 years.

When he came to Herkimer, he was employed by the Standard Furniture Company as a carpenter and served thus about 15 years. For the next 10 years he was employed by the New York Central as a gate-tender on the various Herkimer crossings.

On Dec. 27, 1871, he married Miss Irene Dingman, Minden, Montgomery County, who died Sept. 4, 1921, here.

He was a Democrat and prior to last November's illness had never missed voting in an election since he was 21.

He was a member of the First Universalist Church here and once was affiliated with the (O?AM).

He leaves four children, Orange J. and Ida, and Mrs. Bertha Schindler, Herkimer, and Charles, Syracuse, six grandchildren and one greatgrandchild.

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