

[Fox, Lucy Laura]

Miss Lucy Laura Fox

Like a soldier in the thick of conflict, Lucy Laura Fox, [age 28,] a graduate nurse of Garfield hospital, was stricken down in the midst of duty, Feb. 22, at Washington, D.C.

Miss Fox had been engaged upon a case of unusual difficulty, giving it unremitting attention. Her strength was exhausted more than she realized. When relieved at 3:30 Wednesday afternoon, she went to her apartments at the Portner in Washington for rest. She greeted those in the apartment cordially and retired to her room. They heard her enter the bath room and it is the impression of those who lived with her that she then had a hemorrhage of the lungs and that she removed traces of it at that time. She returned to her room and lay down upon the bed, where she was found about 6:30 by her friends. They had supposed that she was sleeping and had left her undisturbed. Evidently she had been dead about an hour. No one suspected that she had any difficulty of the lungs.

Dr. Ramsburg, whose patient she was attending at the time of her death, said on Thursday, "This is the first time that Miss Fox has been associated with me in a case. Her sweet, gentle manner and absolute fidelity to duty won my highest admiration. She was very efficient in her work. I noticed that she was beginning to show the effects of the strain and in ordering my patient to Atlantic City for a few weeks I was glad to think of the rest that would come to Miss Fox as well. Her death is a great loss."

This is the unanimous testimony of all who were acquainted with her work. Her ideals were high and her performance of duty absolutely conscientious. Her death came as a great shock and surprise to her many friends in the Capital city. The funeral services were held Thursday afternoon and were conducted by the Rev. John Van Schaick, Jr., pastor of the Church of Our Father (Universalist) of which Miss Fox was a member.

She is survived by her father and mother, Mr. and Mrs. James Fox of Depauville; two brothers, Frederick C. Fox of Cortland, Col., and James A. Fox of Brownville; and three sisters, Mrs. Edward Farr of St. Lawrence, Miss Vannie E. Fox of Depauville and Miss Lydia Mantle Fox of Washington, D.C.

The body arrived in Watertown this morning, and funeral services will be held tomorrow forenoon at 11 from the home of Mrs. F. C. Fox, 40 Ten Eyck street.

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