

[Frink, Herman H.]

HERMAN H. FRINK DIES AT CARTHAGE
A RESIDENT OF THE VILLAGE SINCE 1852
ILL IN BED FOR TWO YEARS

Introduced Plate Glass Windows and Tin Roof Into Carthage
Back In 1860—Was Owner of Several Business Blocks

(Special to the Times)

Carthage, June 16.—Herman H. Frink, one of the oldest residents of this village, died at his home in upper State street at 8:45 this morning after an illness of two years, at the age of 78 years, eight months and six days. For the past two years he had not been able to leave his bed.

Mr. Frink was born in Rutland, Oct. 10, 1837, the son of Asa and Elizabeth Frink. He came to this village in 1852 at the age of 15, and settled in West Carthage. He had lived there ever since. In 1862 he married Sophia S. Gilbert. There were four children by this union, only one of whom, Harris C., survives. Mrs. Frink died Dec. 21, 1882. Four years later he married Lola B. Weaver, who died in the spring of 1913.

He learned the trade of a tinsmith when a young man and had always followed that trade until his illness made him leave his work. He learned the trade from his uncle, Heman Hubbard, who at that time had a shop opposite the McCollom block. He worked seven years for his uncle, then started in for himself in a shop at the end of the state bridge, later moving into the Bee Hive, and afterwards into a building on the site of the present Courts block.

Mr. Frink was the first man in Carthage to use plate glass windows in his shop, and in 1860 he placed a tin roof on his house in West Carthage, the first tin roof in Carthage. Until he was taken sick it had always been his boast that he had never lost a day's work because of sickness, and that the only money he had ever paid a physician he had paid Dr. N. D. Ferguson for extracting a tooth.

The block on the site where the Elmhurst Hotel now stands was formerly owned by Mr. Frink. He also owned a business block in State street near the Church street corner.

He is survived by one son, Harris C., of this village; two brothers, Hollin, of West Carthage, and William H., of Hounsfield. The funeral will be held from the late home Saturday afternoon at 2. Rev. G. [George] D. Walker, state superintendent of Universalist churches, will officiate at the funeral. Interment will be made in Clearview cemetery.

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