

[Goodridge, Luther]

LUTHER GOODRIDGE PASSES AWAY

Was Ninety-two Years of Age.—Died at the Home of Jesse  
Perry on North Hill Last Saturday After Lingered Illness  
FUNERAL WAS HELD MONDAY

After a lingering illness covering a period of more than two years, Luther Goodridge, one of the oldest of the pioneer citizens passed away at the home of Mrs. Jesse Perry on North Hill. Mr. Goodridge was born in Steuben county, September 16th, 1820 and was brought into this vicinity when but a year old by his parents together with a large family of brothers and sisters. At that date this whole country was a dense wilderness. Within his remembrance he could recall changes whereby the largest portion of the town was built and founded into its present condition. His father's death early in life made it necessary for him to take the initiative, and make a home for the rest of the family. Up to his last illness, he had enjoyed unusually good health, he was temperate in his habits and regular in his practices, which may account largely for his old age. During his illness, he has been cared for by his two nieces, either at the Whipple homestead in Shongo or at the home of Jesse Perry on North Hill, where he passed away last Friday night. All that good care and patient hands could do was done to make his declining days as comfortable as possible.

The funeral was held from the Universalist church on Monday morning at 11:30 in the presence of a large circle of relatives and friends. The music was in charge of the chorister of the church, Mrs. G. W. Forsythe. Rev. J. D. Herrick officiated. Messrs. Crittenden & Howe were the undertakers. The body was laid to rest in the family plot in Rural Cemetery. There were several floral tributes among which was a piece of 92 heliotrope asters sent by the church.

Those present from out of town were Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Markland of Genesee, Mr. Leete Goodridge of Corning, Mrs. Cyrena Neal and daughter Gertrude of Montour Falls, Sewall Perry of Rew City, Pa., Mr. and Mrs. James Goodliff of Wellsville, Maude Clark of Faulkner, N.Y., and R. R. Gowdy and family.

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