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DEATH OF MR. V. B. GROSS

Mr. Van Buren Gross of McLean died at 8 o'clock Thursday morning after a week's illness resulting from heart difficulty. He was 64 years, 10 months and 27 days old. Mr. Gross was the youngest of the twelve children of Freeman and Susannah Gross, of whom all are now dead but Perry Gross of McGrawville and Freeman Gross of Galva, Ill. He was born in Marathon Sept. 22, 1832.

Mr. Gross was for many years prominent in Tompkins county politics and for three terms, in 1873, 1874 and 1875, represented the town of Groton in the Board of Supervisors. He was also a railroad commissioner of the town of Groton. He was held in high esteem by all who knew him. He is survived by Mrs. Gross and by two daughters and one son, Mrs. E. P. Hart of McLean, Mrs. D. W. Van Hoesen of Cortland and Albert Gross of McLean. The funeral will be held at the Baptist church at McLean on Saturday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock. The service at the grave will be conducted by the Dryden Lodge of the Masonic fraternity of which deceased was a member.

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Funeral of Mr. Gross

The funeral of Mr. V. B. Gross was held at the Baptist church at McLean Saturday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock. It was very largely attended, many people being present from almost every town in Tompkins county, as well as from Cortland. The services were conducted by Rev. Mr. Graves, pastor of the Universalist church of McLean, and the Universalist choir furnished music. There was a great profusion of flowers about the coffin. The bearers were Messrs. Allen Howard, Wesley Albright, Daniel Rowley, Henry VanSickle, William DeCoudres and E. E. Ellis.

At the grave the services were under the direction of the Masonic fraternity, of which the deceased was a member, and the services were conducted by Benjamin Peters, master of the Cortland lodge, and by O. J. Hill, master of the Dryden lodge.

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Resolutions of Respect.

The following resolutions were adopted by the Universalist society of McLean.

WHEREAS, Our Heavenly Father has removed from our midst our esteemed brother, V. B. Gross,

Resolved, By his death the Universalist church has lost an earnest and faithful worker, one who was ever ready to aid in any work to promote the interests of our church.

Resolved, That it is fitting at this time, in the hour of sorrow, not as a matter of form, but a loving duty, to extend to the members of his family our sympathy and love, and may He "whose loved exceedeth ours," sustain and comfort them.

Resolved, That a copy of these resolutions be presented to the family, also to the press for publication.

D.W. ROWLEY JEROME FITTS H. E. VANSICKLE GEORGE FITTS SYLVESTER HILE S. R. RANIFF

Trustees of the Universalist Church

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