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MRS. WELBY W. HAILE RECEIVES LAST CALL

DEATH COMES FOLLOWING OPERATION AT A. BARTON HEPBURN HOSPITAL
A Brief Story of the Interesting Life of a Helpful, Charming Personality Just Gone

Mrs. Louise Eldredge Haile, wife of County Clerk Welby W. Haile, passed away at the A. Barton Hepburn Hospital, Ogdensburg, at 10:30 Friday morning, the announcement of her death coming as a severe shock to a wide circle of friends who were not aware that her condition was critical. Mrs. Haile entered the hospital the Tuesday night previous to her death and underwent a major operation Wednesday morning. Her condition appeared favorable but Friday morning there was a change for the worse and death came a few hours later. With her were her husband and other members of her family.

The funeral was conducted at the home Sunday afternoon at 2:30, the Rev. H. Philbrook Morrell of Canton Theological School officiating. Burial was made at Fairview. The bearers were Harry M. Bolton, William Mead, Carl J. Hosmer, Judge Wm. D. Ingram, Hon. Ceylon G. Chaney and Dr. W. A. MacPhee. The floral tributes sent by friends filled the home, showing the high esteem and affection of many.

Mrs. Haile was born at Colton, Louise, daughter of the late Loyal W. and Clara Cardinal Eldredge, on Aug. 27, 1877. The family moved to Canton when she was a small child and her home has been here during the remainder of her life to its close. She was educated in the village schools and graduated from Canton High School.

On July 25, 1900, the marriage of Louise Eldredge and Welby W. Haile was solemnized in the First Universalist Church of Canton, the Rev. Dr. James M. Payson officiating. The wedding was one of the most impressive of the year, the late County Clerk James E. Johnson acting as best man and Miss Georgia Dayton of Potsdam as maid of honor. Mr. Haile was at the time a member of the staff of the County Clerk's office, continuing through the years and is now completing his eighth term as county clerk.

Mr. and Mrs. Haile took up their married life in Canton and have been during the years a happy devoted pair, well mated, with a wide circle of friends, loving and admiring them. Mrs. Haile was a woman of sweet charm who made and retained farm friendships. She was interested in public welfare and a strong party advocate, devoting much time to this work during campaigns. She knew people, she liked people; she had an approach that was friendly and made many warm and lasting friendships with those she was brought into contact with. She was a member of Silas Wright Grange, The First Universalist Church and of Empire Chapter of the Order of Eastern Star and a worker in these organizations.

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The Eldredge family was long prominent in Canton, her father, the late Loyal W. Eldredge, served as Mayor of Canton Village at the turn of the century. An uncle, Loren D. Eldredge, now of Rochester, was for many years engaged in business in Canton.

At the funeral hundreds gathered at the Haile home Sunday afternoon, many from out of town, including county officers and others, showing the very high esteem in which Mrs. Haile and her husband, the county clerk, are held.

The death of Mrs. Haile is the third in her immediate family during the past year. Her mother, Clara Cardinal Eldredge passed away at the Haile home on July 10, 1936, at the advanced age of 85 years, and a brother, Loyal P. Eldredge, died suddenly at Bergen, N.Y., on March 26 of the present year, aged 57. Loyal P. Eldredge officiated at her wedding thirty-seven years ago, giving the bride away in marriage.

There are remaining, the husband, Welby W. Haile; three sisters, Mrs. Ida Owens of Cortland; Mrs. Nellie Lovewell and Mrs. Mildred Keough, both of Canton; a brother, Guy Eldredge of Syracuse; three nephews, Glen Aldrich, Billie Keough of Canton and Dick Eldredge of Syracuse; two nieces, Betty and Doris Eldredge of Syracuse.

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