

[Hunt, Ward E.]

LITTLE FALLS DOCTOR WRITES OWN OBITUARY
Dr. Ward E. Hunt, Who Died At Faxton Hospital, Utica,
Prepares Statement Before His Death
HAD BEEN PROMINENT IN AFFAIRS OF CITY

LITTLE FALLS, June 26.—The people of this city were saddened yesterday afternoon when word was received at 3 o'clock that Dr. Ward E. Hunt passed away at Faxton Hospital in Utica. It has been known that his illness was of a fatal character, but the hope clung to the hearts of his friends that by some medical skill he might remain a few years longer with his family and friends. His attending physicians were Drs. Edward R. Evans and Fred J. Douglas of Utica and Drs. A. B. Santry and George S. Eveleth.

Dr. Hunt realized the seriousness of his case and was reconciled to his fate and prepared for the end. He made arrangements for his burial, selected his bearers and also prepared the following statement:

"Dr. Ward E. Hunt was born in the town of Little Falls Oct. 12, 1869, the oldest son of Theodore E. and Marie E. Hunt. He received a common school education in district school, then started in Little Falls Academy in 1886-1887; went to Fairfield Seminary in 1887 and graduated in the spring of 1888, being president of his graduating class. He was a member of the Gallopean Society of that school, being one of the oldest literary societies in New York State.

"After leaving Fairfield he taught school two years and in 1890 he entered Dr. K. A. Bushnell's office, and in the fall of the same year entered Albany Medical College, from which he graduated in 1893, being elected to the honor of class poet of his class. While in Albany he was a student of Dr. Albert Van Derveris' office. He came directly from college and began the practice of medicine in his home town.

"He has been elected several times and served as president of Herkimer County Medical Society. He was a member of Little Falls Lodge No. 181, F. & A.M.; Astenrogan Chapter, R.A.M. No. 161; Little Falls Commandery No. 26, Knights Templar; The Groth of Iliion and Zyars Mystic Shrine of Utica. He has held various town offices—Charity Physician, City Health Officer, Health Officer of the town of Little Falls and Danube. He was a member of the Maccabees, the Down and Out Club, the Grange, the Little Falls Auto Club, the Chamber of Commerce, B.P.O.E. and the Universalist Church. He was twice elected Coroner of Herkimer County. He was also a member of the Herkimer County Medical Society, Medical Society of the State of New York, and also Eastern New York Alumnus. He is survived by his wife, Agnes Stark, and two children, Ward J., and [Ersula?]; one sister, Mrs. H. T. Deyo; one brother, Glen W. Hunt of Muskogee, Okla."

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The funeral service will take place from his late home on North Ann Street at 2 o'clock Tuesday afternoon, and will be in charge of Little Falls Commandery, K.T. Rev. H. [Henry] M. Cary will be the officiating clergyman.

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