

[Kenyon, Alice Budlong]

OLDEST RESIDENT DEAD, AGED 89

Alice Kenyon Succumbs to Brief Illness

Had Lived Half a Century in Home Where Her Demise Occurred—
She Was a Remarkable Woman and Devoted Church Worker

Frankfort, Aug. 20—In the death of Mrs. Alice Kenyon, which occurred at her home on West Main street at 6:30 o'clock this morning, Frankfort loses one of its oldest and best known residents. The deceased was the daughter of Moses Budlong and was born in the town of Frankfort, Feb. 3, 1825, and if not the oldest resident in years, is the oldest of the old residents, having lived for over half a century in the home where her death occurred this morning.

Her parents died in her childhood, and she made her home with her uncle, Aaron Budlong, on Frankfort Hill, until her marriage to George A. Kenyon in [1846?]. Shortly after her marriage they came to Frankfort to reside, where Mr. Kenyon became prominently identified with village and business affairs until his death in 1895. Since then Mrs. Kenyon has continued to live alone in her home, retaining her vigor and faculties and being remarkably well for one of her advanced years. Domestic in her tastes, she was an exquisite housekeeper a devoted wife and mother, and a lover of the good and the beautiful. For a great many years she has been a member of the Universalist Church, and was one of its most faithful and consistent adherents.

Of a highly charitable, generous and social disposition, she had a host of friends by whom she will be greatly missed. In many respects she was a wonderful woman, in spite of her years keeping up to date with the march of present events, a constant reader of the daily paper, and in touch with war news of the day within ten days of her death. Her deep sympathetic nature is shown in her feeling for President Wilson in his recent affliction, the tears coursing down her cheeks as she talked to some friends about Mrs. Wilson's death, saying that her prayers were with him. She retained consciousness until almost the last moments, being confined to the bed less than two weeks, bronchitis being the immediate cause of death.

During her illness she was cared for by loving ministrations of relatives and friends. Of those who survive there are a niece, Mrs. Nellie Clapp of Deerfield, and the nephews Frank Budlong of Brooklyn, Orlo Budlong of Oneida, Samuel Norton of Herkimer, Jerome Palmer of Frankfort, and Lyman Gilbert of Chicago. The announcement of the funeral will be made later.

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