DR. L. W. KING DEAD

Passed Away Suddenly Tuesday Evening While at the Ogdensburg Hospital

Dr. Leray Wendell King of Lowville died Tuesday evening at the Ogdensburg state hospital where he had been taken from the Watertown city hospital last week.

After his operation for appendicitis at Watertown recently Dr. King seemed to make good progress toward recovery for a week or two, then his mind gave way under his weakened condition and it was thought best to take him to the Ogdensburg hospital for treatment. The moving seemed to be too much for his physical resistance and he slowly failed during his stay at Ogdensburg.

Tuesday morning it was realized that his condition was somewhat serious, but there was no indication of immediate death and Mrs. King, who had been at Ogdensburg, felt safe to return home to Lowville. The end came rather suddenly at 11 o'clock in the evening. The body was brought to Lowville Wednesday afternoon.

Dr. King's untimely death has been painful shock to his host of friends in Lowville. He was a man of stirling [sic] qualities in every way. "To know him was to love him." His going out of life is a loss that will be widely felt.

Dr. King was the son of Mr. and Mrs. Charles F. King. He was born in Stokes, Oneida county, and would have been 37 years old at his birthday next month. When he was five years old his parents removed to Rome. Dr. King graduated from the Rome public schools and the Rome Free Academy, going to Michigan University for his college course. He graduated from Michigan with the class of 1898. He was a member of the Universalist church in Rome.

Dr. King came to Lowville fourteen years ago. On September 12, 1901 he married Marion S. Allen of Lowville. He was a member of Lowville Lodge No. 134 F. & A. M., also of Lowville Chapter No. 223 R. A. M., and of Watertown Commandery No. 11, Knights Templar. For eleven years he was the examining physician for this district of the United States Pension Department and at the time of his death was president of the Lewis County Medical Society. Dr. King is survived by his parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. T. King, and by his wife. Arrangements for the funeral services have not yet been made.

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