

[Lamphear, Mary Pearl]

DIED AT BRIDGEWATER
Wife of Rev. DeWitt Lamphear

Bridgewater, Dec. 13.—Mary E. Pearl, wife of Rev. DeWitt Lamphear, died in their home, the Universalist parsonage, this morning. While she had been ill for some two months her sickness had not been considered serious until the past week. She was born October (21?), 1851, the first daughter of Ralph and Elizabeth Blair Pearl in Clinton. Their ancestors were among the earliest settlers in that region. She graduated from Clinton Liberal Institute in the class of 1888 and of the five young women of the class, her lifelong friend, Mrs. L. R. Scott of this village, is the only one now surviving. She taught in Clinton, Madison and Chittenango, and in later years had enjoyed meeting the pupils of those years. [On] September (??), 1880, she married Rev. DeWitt Lamphear and with her practical, capable, straightforward home like ways she has filled that difficult position of a minister's wife most faithfully. She has been interested in all the activities of the church of which her husband was pastor, and her musical training enabled her to be helpful in the services. Rev. Mr. Lamphear has been pastor of churches in Springboro, O.; Le Roy, Afton and Sherburne, N.Y., Foster and Brooklyn, Pa., Minden and South Hartford, N.Y. The many friends Mrs. Lamphear has made in their two years' residence here in church, community and neighborhood feel they have lost a dependable, sincere friend. She was a loyal wife and mother, training her children for the duties and responsibilities of life. Four children survive: two daughters, Mrs. Minerva Metz of Nunda, N.Y. [and] Mrs. Ida E. Moulton of Linesville, Pa., and two sons, Blaiar K. Lamphear of Rome and Leonard H., now in High School in Rome. These children are now with their sorrowing father. Mrs. Lamphear is also survived by three sisters, Misses Ella M., Adelle E. and Jennie A. Pearl, all of Clinton, and one brother, T. Pearl of Buffalo. The funeral will be held Saturday at 12:30 in the Universalist Church.

There will be no services in the Universalist Church Sunday owing to the death of Mrs. Lamphear.

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Dec. 18.—Mary Pearl, wife of Rev. DeWitt Lamphear, passed to the higher life Wednesday morning, Dec. 13th, aged 60 years. Mrs. Lamphear had resided here only since April, 1910, yet by her affable manner and kind heart she had made many friends, all of whom are sincere mourners. Her youngest daughter, Mrs. [Ida E.] Moulton, arrived here last Tuesday morning and was with her father when the end came. Besides her husband, she is survived by two sons, Blair of Rome, and Seward of Nunda; also two daughters, Mrs. William J. [Mary Minerva] Metz of Nunda and Mrs. Clinton Moulton of Linesville, Pa. The funeral was largely attended Saturday from the Universalist church and her remains were laid in the church yard. Rev. George Cross Bauer [Baner] of the Church of the Reconciliation, Utica, was the officiating clergyman. Friends were present from Clinton, Buffalo, Sherburne and Cedarville.

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