

[Leach Helen Maria Horning]

Mrs. Helen Maria Leach

Mrs. Helen Maria Leach died at her home in Castile Friday morning of Nov. 20th about 12 o'clock, after nearly 11 months [of] severe illness. Her death was due to a complication of diseases.

She was born at Lamont, N.Y., Aug. 30, 1840 and was the daughter of Jacob R. and Sarah Horning, being the eleventh child of a family of twelve children. Three survive her, two sisters and one brother, Mrs. Eleanor Rowell of Gainesville, N.Y., Dr. E. P. Philbrick of Chicago, Ill., and Robert Horning of Lamont, N.Y.

She was the mother of five children. She leaves to mourn her departure her husband and four children, one dying in infancy: her husband, Henry F. Leach of Castile, her children, Miss H. Lida Leach of Brooklyn, N.Y., Mrs. E. H. Douglas of Little Falls, NY., J. Murray Leach of Des Moines, Iowa, [and] Harry F. Leach of LaCrosse, Wis., all of whom were present at her funeral and burial except Harry of LaCrosse.

She united with the first Universalist church of Perry, N.Y., July 5, 1874, Rev. W. [Webster] B. Randolph being her pastor. Her life was an active one caring for home and children. The ceremony was conducted by Rev. L. A. Peirson, using for the text, Psalm 39:1, "And now Lord what wait I for my hope is in Thee."

She was a patient sufferer and seemed reconciled to go to her heavenly father. Her trust was placed in the Lord. A short and fitting service was held at the home on Monday afternoon, Nov. 23 at 2 o'clock, which was largely attended by friends and relatives who will sincerely mourn her loss. She was a fond and devoted wife and mother. Her life will be a lasting legacy to her family and friends rich in memories.

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