

[Robinson, George]

DEATH OF GEORGE ROBINSON

Canton, Jan. 24.—George Robinson died at his home in this village, about 8 this morning, at the advanced age of 83 years. Mr. Robinson has been one of the most prominent men connected with the history of St. Lawrence county. His parents, Daniel and Esther Robinson, came to St. Lawrence county from New England in 1800, and located at Massena, where George Robinson was born Jan. 27, 1819.

He received his early education in the district schools of his native town, and at the age of 16 entered the store of Ebenezer Minor, at Massena Point. Afterwards he was clerk and partner in the hardware store at Ogdensburg for 12 years and until 1849, when he was appointed postmaster at Ogdensburg by President Taylor, which office he held for four years. He then removed to Morely, where he engaged in the milling business and the manufacture of lumber until 1870, when he was elected superintendent of the poor of St. Lawrence county, which office he held for three terms and until 1879. He made a most excellent superintendent, being possessed of sound judgment and a keen, appreciative sense of the distresses of the poor. Through his efforts the children's home was established in this village, which was conducted for some years, furnishing an asylum for many homeless orphans. At the close of his term he was elected treasurer of St. Lawrence university and held this responsible position 17 years.

In September, 1856, he was married to Cordelia C. Buck, of Madrid, who survives him. Two children were born to them of whom only one survives, Nelson L. Robinson, who is now a prominent lawyer in New York city. Mr. Robinson was a member of the Universalist Church and prominent in the affairs of that church. In politics he was a Republican and formerly a member of the Whig party. He served as supervisor of the town in 1857 and '58. Firm in his convictions and fearless in the discharge of his duty, George Robinson leaves an honorable name upon the pages of the county's history.

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