[Rogers, Levi P.]

[Levi P. Rogers Dies Suddenly? nearly unreadable headline] Well Known Mason Passes Away During Sleep

Levi P. Rogers, well known builder and mason of this village, died very suddenly at his home in Hamilton [___?] about 2:30 Thursday morning. He had been a sufferer with heart trouble, but was about his work Wednesday as usual and was down town in the evening. His wife was concerned by his unusual breathing [___?] he failed to regain consciousness, passing away as he slept.

Mr. Rogers was born in Brasher Falls, June 15, 1868, passing away but a few hours after his 74th birthday. He was the son of Uriah and Mary Butler Rogers. He cam here with his parents when about 16 years of age and had resided here since.

For many years he was associated with his brother, the late Cephas G. Rogers, in the building and construction business here and numerous residential and business structures not only in Potsdam but in surrounding communities in this section were built by them.

He was twice married. His first wife was Clara Brunson, whom he married here about 50 years ago. Her death occurred in 1900. In 1902, he married Abigail A. Benson, who survives him. He is also survived by two daughters, Mrs. Martha [Albert] Appleyard of Ogdensburg and Miss Dorothy Rogers, who teaches at Utica; by two grandsons, Robert and William Appleyard of Ogdensburg; by a nephew, Levi L. Rogers of this place; and by a niece, Mrs. Earl J. Adams of Pasadena, Calif.

He was a charter member of Excelsior Lodge , I.O.O.F., having joined it when it was founded here 45 years ago. He was a member of the Potsdam Universalist church.

Funeral services were held from the home at 2 Sunday afternoon and interment was in Bayside cemetery here. Rev. Emerson H. Lalone of Canton officiated.

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