

[Southworth, Jennie Mead]

MRS. SOUTHWORTH DIES SUDDENLY

Heart Attack Takes Away Another Pioneer Family Representative

Although she had been in poor health, the death of Mrs. Jennie Mead Southworth at her home Saturday afternoon at four thirty came as a great shock to the members of her family and many friends. She was stricken with a heart attack shortly after her two daughters, the Misses Eva and Irene, had returned from a short ride. The funeral is being held from her home this afternoon, her pastor, Rev. Emerson H. Lalone, officiating, the body being placed in Evergreen Cemetery vault for burial in the spring.

Thus Canton loses another among those fine old first families, one who held fast the friendships won over a long and lovely life. Mrs. Southworth descended from one of the pioneer families of this section. Her grandfather, Henry Mead, was among the first settlers in that South Canton Brick Chapel section from which have come many of those families whose ranks death has so recently invaded, such as the Wallaces, Sandersons, Heatons, Judds. Henry Southworth and his wife lived to an old age, residing on the old home farm which he had settled and which descended to his son, Orville, and is now the property of Stanley Southworth.

Orville A. and Emily Clark Mead were the parents of Mrs. Jennie Southworth. She was born up on the old farm Nov. 4, 1859. She and her sister, Nettie, fell in love with the Southworth boys, Henry B. and Tracy, sons of another early Canton family.

Jennie Mead and Henry Southworth were married June 22, 1881, and it was but natural that they elected to follow the pursuit in life which had been that of their parents, that of farmers. Mr. Southworth died in 1903 while they were living on their farm a mile out on the Potsdam road. Mrs. Southworth then moved into the village with her four children. To them she devoted the remaining years of her life, always interested in their lives, making her home theirs, and being the good neighbor and friend. She was a member of the Universalist church.

Surviving are the four children, the two sons, Orville Henry, of Lynnwood, Calif. and Stanley, who operated Canton's picture houses for many years, and now lives near Morristown; and the two daughters, Miss Irene and Miss Eva, of Canton. There is also the sister, Mrs. Nettie Southworth, and a brother, Fred C. Mead, of Saranac Lake. There are six grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

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