[Spicer, John Miles]

JOHN M. SPICER DIED FRIDAY NIGHT Prominent Man Called to Reward.—Was Road Commissioner for Several Years.—Had Held Other Town Offices.

John Miles Spicer, who passed away February 25, after an illness of several weeks' duration, was born upon the farm first owned by the great-grandfather, Seth Spicer, on North Hill, August 5, 1844.

Mr. Spicer was one of seven children, six of whom were girls. All but two, Mrs. Clarissa Rogers of Andover, and Louise Kenyon of Westerly, R. I., have passed on.

Mr. Spicer spent most of his life on the farm until four years ago when he moved into this village upon the death of Mrs. Herbert F. Spicer [neé Susie E. Harris] that he might help care for the children.

Mr. Spicer was married to Miss Marietta Payne in 1865. Seven children were born to this union: Mrs. Maurice Woodcock of Sagerstown, Pa., Mrs. Sarah Landers of Cassadago, N.Y., Floyd Spicer deceased [in 1901], Herbert F. Spicer, Clementine Spicer, Mrs. Nancy Perry and Mrs. Clara Horton all of Whitesville.

Mr. Spicer was a man of sterling worth and executive ability, having been intrusted with many public offices, among which were Road Commissioner, and Justice of the Peace, and at the time of his death [he] was executor of a number of estates. He was a member of the K.O.T.M. with which he carried an insurance, being Recorder of the local Tent at the time of his death. He was a lifelong Universalist and for many years was a member of the choir of that church.

The funeral was held from his late home in this village, February 28th. Interment was in Rural Cemetery, Rev. C. L. Paddock officiating.

The many floral tributes proclaimed his popularity. The Maccabees attended in a body as did also the Boy Scouts who lead [led] the cortege to the cemetery bearing the floral tributes.

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