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ALEXANDER STEVENS Death of a Well Known and Highly Esteemed Auburnian

The numerous friends of Assessor Alexander Stevens will be pained to hear of his death, which occurred at the family residence, 41 Clark street, about 11:30 o'clock last evening. The deceased had been in failing health for some years past, though he fought bravely his disease. The past winter made deep inroads on his health, though he was not confined to the house until a week ago. Since then he has rapidly failed and the announcement of his death will be a surprise to his numerous friends about town who scarcely expected the end so soon. Mr. Stevens was of a bright, hopeful disposition and had scores of friends who will sympathize with his family in their bereavement.

He was born in Oneida county, December 3, 1828, and was consequently in his sixtyfifth year. When a young man he learned the mason's trade and spent some years of his life in the State of Wisconsin. He was an excellent workman and always did his best for his employers. His knowledge of his trade extended far beyond that of the average master. For the past twenty-five years he has been a resident of Auburn and was prominent in politics, representing the Third ward as alderman and supervisor. At the recent charter election he was elected city assessor for the second term. He was a prominent member of the Bricklayers' Union and in years past was a prominent Knight Templar. When a young man he was married to Miss Mary E. Hartson, of Mohawk, N.Y., who with one daughter, Miss Mary R. Stevens, a teacher in the Grover street school, and one sister, Mrs. James Adams of New York Mills, survive him. His remains will be taken to Mohawk, N.Y., for interment Wednesday.

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FUNERAL OF ALEXANDER STEVENS

The funeral services of the late Assessor Alexander Stevens were held at the family residence, 41 Clark street, yesterday afternoon at 5 o'clock and were largely attended. The service was conducted by the Rev. O. M. Hilton, pastor of the Universalist church. A large number of beautiful floral designs surrounded the casket. Among the number was [were] a large wreath from the Commons Council and a wreath from the City assessors. The members of the Bricklayers' and Masons' Union viewed the remains in a body. The remains were taken to Mohawk, Herkimer county, this morning on the 8:15 train and were accompanied by the immediate family and a number of friends together with Rev. O. M. Hilton, who will read the committal service at the grave. The bearers were Messrs. Charles A. Smith, Thomas Garrett and Assessors P. J. McCabe and Edwin W. Gilbert.

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