

[Tallman, John K.]

JOHN K. TALLMAN DEAD

Death of a Well Known Auburnian at His Home This Morning

John K. Tallman died unexpectedly at his home in South street this morning. Mr. Tallman's health had been failing for a year. Last Tuesday while returning from the viewing of the New York Central's World's Fair exhibit he was attacked by a severe pain in his side and was confined to his house until Saturday, when he went to his place of business. It is thought he took cold on that day for he was compelled to go home and has since been under the care of his physician, Dr. Tripp. He was able to be about the house yesterday and this morning he arose as usual, dressed and went into the parlor to read a newspaper. He was seated in his favorite chair near a window with his eye glasses on and a newspaper in his hand when it was found that he was dead. His passing away was very peaceful and when the physician arrived he pronounced the cause apoplexy [a stroke].

There were few men more widely known in Cayuga county than John K. Tallman. He was born in Scipio, July 20th, 1824, and was the son of Humphrey and Esther Tallman. His father operated a tannery and farm and when a young man Mr. Tallman assisted his father. In 1860 he removed to this city and became associated with the late E. D. Clapp in the livery business. The firm then operated several stage routes throughout the country and did an extensive business.

They first commenced business on the site where Bell's livery is now located and afterwards had a barn in State street, now Nos. 5 and 7. Many years ago they built the block at the corner of State and Dill streets and occupied it as a livery establishment. Mr. Tallman purchased Mr. Clapp's interest in the business and thirteen years ago he added the undertaking department to his business and it has had his active attention up to his recent illness. A few years ago he built the well appointed block in Dill street, which is finely equipped for the business which under his guidance and direction has grown to be the most extensive in the line in this vicinity.

When a young man Mr. Tallman was well known as an orchestra leader and teacher of dancing and his acquaintance throughout this and adjoining counties was very large. He was a genial companionable man and made and retained friends.

In business Mr. Tallman was honorable and fair in all his dealings. He was painstaking and conscientious and to these qualities was due his success. His death will be widely mourned.

He leaves a widow and three sons, Selah C. Tallman and Humphrey A. Tallman of this city and W. T. Tallman who is with his mother in Wilkesbarre, Pa. A sister Mrs. Sarah Daniels of Scipio also survives him.

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FUNERAL OF JOHN K. TALLMAN
Sorrowing Relatives and Friends Pay Their Tribute to His Worth

The funeral of John K. Tallman took place Friday at 4 o'clock from his late residence, No. 58 South street. The attendance was large and testified to the esteem in which the deceased was held. Rev. O. M. Hilton, pastor of the Universalist church, conducted the services, assisted by Rev. William Searls. There was a profusion of beautiful floral pieces from sympathizing friends. Among them was gates ajar from his employes [sic], and a crescent and a large bunch of lillies from the employes [sic] of S.C. Tallman & Co. The funeral arrangements were in charge of T.D. Walker, for many years the assistant of the deceased in the undertaking business, and Charles V. Jeffries, a retired undertaker formerly of Rochester, who volunteered to perform the service.

The bearers were E.B. Parmele, G.W. Elliot, W.D. Slee, G.W. Richardson, M.S. Fitch, B. [Benjamin] B. Snow, George Berber and John Underwood, all lifelong friends of the deceased. The remains reposed on an elegant black broadcloth covered casket and the expression of the features was like a man in peaceful slumber. The interment was in Fort Hill where the casket was placed in an outside box of cedar, the finest manufactured and which was presented by Manager Maxwell of the Oneida casket works, with whom the deceased had had business dealings for years.

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