F. E. TIMMERMAN DIES SUDDENLY WELL KNOWN RESIDENT IS FOUND DEAD IN BED

Frank E. Timmerman, prominent business man of this village was found dead in bed at his home in Pierrepont Avenue, on Friday morning. Mr. Timmerman had been in his usual health on Thursday and was down town in the evening. He retired as usual. Upon going to his room in the morning, his wife found him lying apparently unconscious in the bed. She summoned Dr. H. A. Grant who stated that he had probably been dead four or five hours passing away as he slept.

Mr. Timmerman was the son of Joram and Harriet Loucks Timmerman and was born on his father's farm on the Canton road sixty one years ago, the first of last July. His father was a native of Herkimer county who located here as a young man. Mr. Timmerman's entire life had been spent in Potsdam.

A number of years ago, he became connected with the Globe Laundry and finally purchased complete control of the property. He expanded the business until it became one of the leading plants of its kind in Northern New York, enjoying a large patronage outside of this village.

Although devoting the most of his time to his business, Mr. Timmerman found opportunity to take a keen interest in civic affairs and served the village as trustee and afterward village president. He was active in municipal politics in the strenuous days of the municipal lighting controversy. A few years ago he was elected to the municipal board having charge of the village electric light and water systems. He had made a study of local water needs with a view to the securing of a possible new water supply.

He was an active member of the Universalist Church and was a member of the Potsdam Club. Mr. Timmerman is survived by his widow; by one daughter, Mrs. V. C. Doerschuk of Massena; by one son, Dwight E. Timmerman, of Canton, Mass., and by one brother, Herman Timmerman of Springfield, Mass. Private funeral services were held at the home Sunday afternoon and the body placed in the vault at Bayside.

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