[Tingue, William J.]

William J. Tingue

William J. Tingue died very peacefully after a week's illness in his home at the Apthorp, Seventy-ninth street and Broadway, New York, Thursday evening, April 2. He was born in Fort Plain in 1837, where he succeeded at an early age to the dry goods business of his father, Simeon Tinque. In 1865 he moved to New York, where he started in the jobbing business in the firm of Tingue, Harbison & Shiner, which was located on the corner of Broadway and White street. About 1872 he withdrew from this concern and started in the manufacturing business and organized the firm of Tingue, House & company, and established the Hawthorne Woolen Mill, Glenville, Conn., with New York office located at 56 Reade street. This business continued until 1889, when it was merged in the American Felt company. In 1900 he withdrew from the American Felt company and devoted his entire energies to the Tingue Manufacturing company, plushes, whose plant is at Seymour, Conn., and New York office at 120 East Twenty-fifth street. Business was one of his pleasures of life, and he showed an interest even to the end.

Mr. Tingue was a Universalist and a member of the Church of the Divine Paternity [Fourth Universalist Society], where the funeral services were held Sunday. For 25 years he was chairman of the board of trustees and was also for a time president of the Clinton Liberal Institute, Fort Plain. He was a member of the Union League club, Chamber of Commerce of New York state[,] and Sleepy Hollow Country club. He is survived by his widow, two sons, Howard and William J. jr., and one daughter, Mrs. William E. Quimby and a sister, Mrs. D. E. Reid.

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