

[Townsend, Louisa Estelle Sickles]

Mrs. Louisa Estelle Townsend

The death of Mrs. Louisa Estelle Townsend, a life long and revered resident of Otsego county, occurred at the Mary Imogene Bassett Hospital at 6 o'clock, Thursday evening of last week. Mrs. Townsend had been in ill health since the holidays but became a patient at the hospital on her seventy-first birthday, only ten days before her passing. While her condition was known to be serious, hope for her recovery had been entertained until a short time preceding her death, when pneumonia developed and she failed rapidly until the end.

Louisa Estelle Stickles was the daughter of the late Robert and Julia (Hughson) Stickles and was born in the township of Otsego, February 4th, 1859. She was thrice married, her first husband having been William F. Lindsay of Fly Creek, whose death occurred April 15, 1904. Her second husband was Frank G. Jarvis of Hartwick Seminary. Following his death she was married to Fred F. Townsend of Portlandville who died about sixteen years ago. Since that time Mrs. Townsend has made her home in Cooperstown with her son, Cashier Edward D. Lindsay of the Cooperstown National Bank.

Surviving besides the son above mentioned are two grandsons, Douglas E. and William C. Lindsay; one brother, Orra M. Stickles of this village; five half-sisters and five half-brothers, and several nieces and nephews.

She was a faithful and loyal member of the Universalist church from her girlhood, first at Fly Creek, and later at Cooperstown, and also of Otsego Chapter No. 201, O.E.S., and the Ladies' Auxiliary of the Sons of Veterans, both her first and second husbands having been veterans of the Civil War.

A woman of true Christian character she was one whose influence was always on the side of the right and in her life exemplified to a high degree the teachings of the Master. Her memory and influence will be a blessing to her family and friends throughout the years, and the sympathy of a wide circle of friends will be extended to the bereaved.

The funeral was held from the home of the son, Edward D. Lindsay, on Chestnut street, Sunday afternoon at 2 o'clock, the Rev. Thomas Chapman, pastor of the Universalist church officiating and burial was made in the Fly Creek village cemetery.

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