

[Tripp, Ira Marvin]

Death of Ira Marvin Tripp

Ira Marvin Tripp, the oldest son of Job Tripp and Mary Reynolds, was born in the town of Junius, Seneca Co., N.Y., December 18, 1827 and died at Cohocton, N.Y., October 2, 1898.

The next September following his birth his parents removed to this town and first lived in a house that stood but a few rods from the one where he died. He had, therefore, been a resident of this town for a little more than 70 years. The part of the town where he lived was then an almost unbroken wilderness and although there were some older people in the town, he was, nevertheless, one of the pioneers of this vicinity.

He early learned to battle with the hardships and privations of pioneer life and his early youth was spent in the lumber mills and in the laborious toil incident to clearing a new farm. When not more than 7 or 8 years old he drove a team on the first machine that ever threshed grain in this town.

Although of a quiet and home-loving disposition he always took a lively interest in everything that pertained to the advancement or the prosperity of the town and was called to fill several offices of responsibility and trust, serving the town as supervisor back in the 70's. He contributed generously both with his hands and his purse toward the erection of the church in which his funeral services were held.

He was a zealous adherent to the principles of the Republican party but an unflinching enemy to all cliques and rings of whatever kind. His party, right or wrong, was no creed of his, but what he thought right, party or no party.

His health failed some two or three years since but he was still able to go about some until the 28th day of March last when a stroke of paralysis prostrated him, and he was unable to leave his bed, except with help, until he died. He bore his sufferings without a murmur and his every want was just as uncomplainingly administered to by a faithful with loving daughter.

He was married May 14, 1850 to Louisa Hill who with one daughter, Mrs. Julia [George] Shoultice, are left to mourn the loss of an indulgent husband and loving father. He also leaves three brothers, Henry C. and Sidney R., of this place and Francis G. of Wallace, besides a large circle of more distant relatives and friends who will ever cherish his memory as a generous brother and faithful friend in all the relations of life.

The funeral was held at the Universalist church on Tuesday at 2 o'clock, Rev. C. [Charles] F. Bushnell, the pastor, officiating. Interment in Maple View cemetery.

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