A. Marietta¹ Usher

A. Marietta Usher died last Saturday night at her home on Livingston Hill of heart trouble. She had been in poor health for several years and death was due primarily to the infirmities of her age.

Miss Usher was born at Hubbardsville in 1837, daughter of Horace Usher and Olive Brainard. She lived there in her younger days and attended the Clinton Liberal Institute at Fort Plain. She taught for a number of years and when the Civil War began she was teaching in Georgia. She had some difficulty in getting north and had to come through the Confederate lines under a flag of truce.

She went to Hubbardsville and lived there until 1880, when she came here with her brother, the late R. M. [Robert Melville] Usher. She was an attendant of the Universalist Church and her father was one of the founders of that faith in Hubbardsville. She was a member of the Waterville Grange and the Every Saturday Night Club.

Miss Usher was a woman who inherited those finer qualities of heart and mind that were much enhanced by training and she was one of those persons whom it was good to meet and know as a friend. She retained an excellent memory until the last and held also an interest in affairs that were of the most benefit to the community.

She lived a life of helpfulness and her passing removes one who will be remembered for the good she did. She had lived for the later years with her sister-in-law, Mrs. R. M. [Ella Blanding] Usher. She leaves no near relatives.

The funeral was held Tuesday at the Usher home at 2 p.m. and burial was made in Hubbardsville.

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¹ On her gravestone her given name is spelled Maritta.