

[Waters, Lydia Barns]

MRS. LYDIA B. WATERS

On Thursday last occurred the death of Mrs. Lydia Barns Waters, wife of the late B. Frank Waters and for many years a resident of College Hill. Mrs. Waters was a native of Westmoreland and was a daughter of Captain Amos and Margaret Barns. In 1857, after her marriage, she came to Clinton to live, and her home from that time until 1918 was near the foot of College Hill. The Waters property was that where the houses of Professors Fitch and Lewis now are, both houses having been built and successively occupied by Mr. Waters, who was a builder and contractor. Mrs. Waters was a loyal member of the Universalist Church of Clinton. The hospitality of her home was known to a wide circle of friends who esteemed her for her kindness as a neighbor and for the sterling traits of her character. The excellence of her table was proverbial among the many students who boarded with her during the seventies and eighties. In 1918, on account of failing health, she went to live with her daughter, Mrs. E. K. Kershner of New Brighton. For five years past she was confined to her bed, but during most of that time she was able to write to members of her family. She died in her 92nd year. Her two children, Edward H. Waters of New Hartford, and Mrs. Kershner, also six grandchildren, survive her.

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