

[Wheeler, Simeon Reed]

East Bloomfield, April 27—The sudden death of Simeon R. Wheeler at his home yesterday forenoon was a great surprise to a host of friends and acquaintances. He was a kind neighbor and good citizen, and was admired by all for his many excellent traits. In his long service as Superintendent of the Poor, he performed his duties with economy, without neglecting any who were distressed, often doing so at his own expense. His widow survives, but many others will also mourn and miss him.

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The Sleight families were called to South Bloomfield last Friday to attend the funeral of Simon [Simeon] R. Wheeler, an uncle, who died at the age of 82. Early in life Mr. Wheeler married Miss Betsey Bentley of this town, who died a number of years ago. One daughter was all the family he ever had—Gertrude, wife of Theron Buell, who died at the age of 19. He leaves a second wife, formerly Mrs. Carrie Hinman, of Rochester. Mr. Wheeler was one of the leading citizens of East Bloomfield for many years. He was a member of the Universalist church of Bristol. Mrs. Julia Sleight and Mrs. Mary E. Phillips of this town were his sisters. The farm he lived upon had been in the Wheeler family since the earliest settlement of the town. It was first owned by his grandfather, then his father, and it finally came into his hands. He was a man highly respected.

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