

Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Robinson The Widows a Few Days of Each Other.

A brief mention was made in the News last week of the death of J. A. Robinson, which occurred at the Hornellville Sanitarium last Wednesday evening a few minutes before nine o'clock. Mr. Robinson had been at that institution for little more than a week receiving treatment. He had been away from home but a few days when his wife was taken ill at the home of Dr. N. P. Brainard in this village, and when her husband's death occurred Mrs. Robinson's condition was quite serious; in fact, it was the opinion of her physician and those who attended her that she could live but a few days. She continued to grow worse, and died Monday evening, at just about the same hour that her husband expired.

Both Mr. and Mrs. Robinson had been in ill health for some time, and it had been apparent to their friends that unless a change for the better should occur in their condition it would be only a matter of a little time when they would be taken away; but it was not anticipated that the death of both would occur within so short a time, and in fact, until recently, the death of either did not seem so close at hand.

Justus A. Robinson was born in Cameron, Steuben county, N. Y., March 30th, 1835. He was the son of S. T. and Mary Ann Robinson. He lived with his parents in the towns of Independence, Andover, Alfred and Greenwood. It was at the latter place that he married, at once removing to this place and purchasing what is sometimes known as the Peter Bundy farm, now owned by J. W. Richardson. He followed the occupation of farming a few years, when he engaged in the hardware business with Henry Cobb. He afterward became possessor of the furniture and undertaking business which he has carried on ever since, and which he conducted for sixteen years.

He leaves two brothers and three sisters: Stephen P. and Felton S. Robinson, both of Andover; Mrs. Octavia Talbot, who lives in Nebraska; Mrs. N. Clair and Mrs. A. R. Wright, both of this place.

The funeral services over his remains were held at his late residence last Saturday afternoon, Rev. W. B. Wagoner officiating. The house was filled to overflowing with sorrowing relatives and neighbors. It was a sad circumstance that she who had been his helpmeet and companion for years was upon what proved to be her deathbed, only a short distance away.

Beautiful floral tributes were offered by loving friends, and the services throughout were most impressive and bore an air of sadness unusual even upon similarly mournful occasions. The interment took place in the cemetery west of this village.

Harriet Ophelia Mead was born in Greenwood, N. Y., January 5th, 1841. She was the daughter of Alvin and Sally A. Mead, and always lived in that town until she married. She leaves one brother and three sisters: Wilbur F. Mead of Greenwood; Mrs. W. T. Lane, of Honeoye, Pa.; Mrs. Philinda Conrad, of Greenwood; Mrs. Susan Van Sickle, of Andover.

Doubtless the most prominently sad feature connected with the death of this husband and wife is the fact that their only child, Miss Grace Robinson, aged 16 years, is left henceforth without the tender, loving care which has been so wisely and devotedly bestowed upon her. She receives the deepest sympathy which a community of sympathetic people can offer.

The day after Mrs. Robinson's death her remains were tenderly borne to her home, and this (Wednesday) afternoon the funeral was held in the church where she, with him who went so short a time before, had so many times bowed in worship before Him who knoweth and doeth all things for the best. Rev. W. B. Wagoner officiated, assisted by Rev. J. M. Leach, of Duke Center. Her remains were tenderly laid beside her husband's; and thus were two persons who had labored together for nearly a third of a century not long separated in death.

Mr. and Mrs. Robinson were members of the Andover M. E. Church. It may be said that they knew the Savior before they knew each other. As mere boy and girl they had joined the church, and they continued steadfast until the end. Mr. Robinson has been trustee and class leader we know not for how long, and both he and his wife have been among the most active of all the members in all kinds of church work.

By whom shall we say Mr. and Mrs. Robinson will be most missed? Doubtless the first and correct answer would be by the daughter who is at once deprived of all that the names father and mother imply. By whom next? By

the church and the Sabbath School which for years have enjoyed all that the willing hand, the counseling voice or the ever open purse could give? By the brothers, sisters, other relatives and neighbors, to whom the Robinson house has been as hospitable and familiar a place, almost as their own homes? Or by those in this community who, not being possessed of a large share of this world's goods have, times without number, and in almost unlimited measure, been the recipients of whatever seemed best to meet the requirements of the case, from the hands of those generous people? The answer would doubtless vary according to the society or class to which the person answering belonged.

In order to give the News force a chance to observe the Christmas holiday, and also to give adequate attention to the printing of "The Fair Journal," (several editions of which are to be printed) this paper will not be issued next week.

We wish all our readers a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year, and trust the holiday season may bring to one and all an unusual measure of enjoyment.

The following are the recently elected and appointed officers of Andover Lodge No. 553, F. & A. M.:

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Notice. Whereas, my wife, Abbie Crandall, has left my bed and board without just cause or provocation, I therefore warn all persons against trusting or harboring her on my account, as I shall pay no debts of her contracting after this date. ALMON C. CRANDALL. ANDOVER, N. Y., Dec. 10th, 1895.

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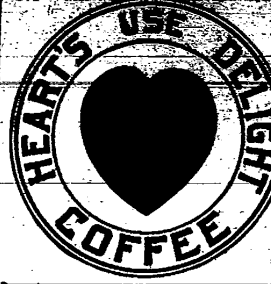
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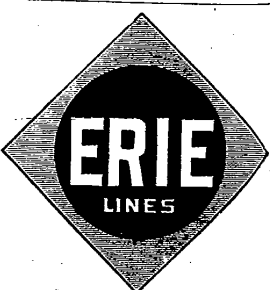
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