

[Bassett, Mina Hibbard]

MRS. MINA BASSETT

After a somewhat protracted illness, Mrs. Mina Bassett passed away at the home of Dr. J. M. Payson, early Wednesday morning, June 7. Mrs. Bassett's maiden name was Mina Hibbard and she was born on the Island of North Hero in Lake Champlain, the thirteenth of May, 1849. When quite a young girl she came with her mother to West Potsdam, who had married William Hathaway of that place. She was married to Cyrus Bassett on the twenty-third of October, 1866, when only a little more than seventeen years old. For a time they lived on a farm in West Potsdam, then they moved to Canton on the farm now occupied by the Agricultural School where she resided for thirty years. Her husband passed away on the seventh of March, 1900. For several years past she has made her home with Dr. and Mrs. Payson.

She was a woman of remarkable determination and great will power, which doubtless considerably prolonged her life. She had been in failing health for two or three years but went about her accustomed duties just as long as possible. For the last several months she had been almost helpless but never complained, bearing all with Christian patience. She had her share of the world's sorrows, but she kept them largely to herself and did not trouble others with her troubles.

She was a member of the Universalist church and, as long as health permitted, was a constant attendant and a most devoted and efficient worker. She was also a member of the Eastern Star.

She leaves one son, Arthur Bassett of Cleveland, Ohio, who fortunately arrived several hours before she passed away, and two grandsons, Cyrus and Milford Bassett. The funeral was held Friday afternoon, at the home, Dr. J. M. Atwood and Professor H. P. Morrell officiating. Burial at Fairview.

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