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CHARLES SUMNER BENEDICT

Charles Sumner Benedict, a former resident, died last Friday after a brief illness, at his home in New Rochelle, N.Y., aged 58 years.

The deceased was born in Perry on May 6, 1869, the only son of William and Dorleski Andrews Benedict, and was one of a family of three children—two daughters and a son. He grew to manhood here, attending Perry Union School, from which he was graduated with the Class of 1888, and is the second member of that class who has passed away during the past year, William Pettys being the other member.

Following graduation he attended Buchtel College at Akron, O., from which he was graduated. He then entered the teaching profession, his first experience being in District No. 8 in this town, afterward at Dale and Johnsonburg, principal at Pompey, N.Y., at Amenia, then teaching in schools at Fraser Falls, Islip, Westbury, and the last year at New Rochelle, all in this State.

He taught as usual on Monday of last week (the 9th,) but when he came home he complained of illness, which proved to be typhoid fever, and steadily failed until his death on the Friday following.

In June, 1910, Mr. Benedict was united in marriage to Miss Lee Anna Potter of Pulaski, N.Y., who survives him. He is also survived by his two sisters, Mrs. Esther M. Clark of Shortsville and Mrs. Edith B. Hull of this place.

Always ambitious to improve himself in his profession, he took courses in Columbia University in New York City and won his A. M. degree, and on the first of June, next, he would have received his second Master's degree from Columbia.

Mr. Benedict was a member of the First Universalist Church of Perry, with which he united more than 40 years ago. He was also [a] member of the Masonic fraternity, the Commandery, the I.O.O.F., and the Maccabees; of the Men's Club of Columbia, University and the School Men's Council of Westchester County, a man greatly esteemed by all who knew him.

A telegram from his sister, Mrs. Hull of this place, was received on Wednesday of last week, announcing his critical illness, and she left at once for New Rochelle in time to be at her brother's bedside before he passed away.

On Sunday, Mrs. Hull and her brother's widow accompanied his remains to Perry and funeral services were held at 2:30 o'clock last Monday afternoon at the residence of Mrs. Hull, No. 91 North Main Street, Rev. W.J. Metz of the Universalist Church officiating. Interment was made in the family lot in Prospect Hill Cemetery, Perry Center.

Among the relatives from out of town in attendance at the funeral were Mrs. Esther Clark, Mr. and Mrs. Edward B. Clark, of Shortsville, N.Y.; Mr. Orla C. Potter and daughter Adelaide, Messrs. J. Grant Potter and Miles F. Potter, of Pulaski, N.Y.

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