

MOSES B. LAMB

Civil War Veteran

Moses B. Lamb, a veteran of the Civil War and practically a life long resident of this vicinity, died at the home of his son, Will S. Lamb, at Caneadea on Friday, Sept. 20th, 1918, in the 89th year of his age. Death resulted from no particular disease but from a gradual breaking up of the springs of life.

No other person living has resided in this town so long as Mr. Lamb who was born in Oneida County, in this state on March 1st, 1830, but came to this town with the family at the age of a few months, so that he has practically been a resident of the town for about 88 years. He was the last survivor of the pupils who attended school in the first frame school building in town, the old school building on North Main Street erected in the summer of 1832 and demolished a few years ago.

His father, the late Judge Rensselaer Lamb, was the first clerk who waited on customers in the store building now owned by A. M. Baker, erected in the summer of 1832 by Seth Washburn. He became afterward one of the town's most prominent citizens, serving it five years as supervisor, one year as town clerk and twelve years as Justice of the Peace and finally serving for eight

years as County Judge. Moses Lamb has passed his life as a farmer and has always possessed the esteem of his fellow townsmen as an industrious and honorable man and good citizen. He enlisted in the United States service on Aug. 1st, 1862, and served for nearly three years as a member of Company G of the 154th Regiment, New York Volunteer Infantry, one of the fighting regiments of the Army, and received an honorable discharge in June, 1865.

Mr. Lamb was twice married. His first wife was Susan Vaughan, a daughter of Charles Vaughan, a pioneer of Machias. She died on Nov. 9th, 1880, and in 1882 he contracted a second marriage with Margaret Patterson, daughter of the late Nathaniel Patterson of Farmersville. She died in 1912.

Mr. Lamb is survived by two sons by his first wife, Orlando B. Lamb of Machias and William S. Lamb of Caneadea. He also leaves one sister, Mrs. Abbie Meador, residing in California, now the only survivor of the large family of Judge Rensselaer Lamb.

The remains were brought to this place and funeral services were held from the home of Orlando B. Lamb on South Main Street, on Monday afternoon, Rev. J. T. Ryder of Rushford officiating. The interment was on the family lot in Maple Grove Ceme-

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