

## E. Milton Osmun.

E. Milton Osmun, one of our prominent and important citizens, passed away last Sunday morning at his home on High street, after being ill for a number of years, in addition to the infirmities of old age, caused, perhaps, by a slight stroke of paralysis sustained some time ago. He was born at Rockport in the year of 1848 and has spent the major part of his life in Hackettstown.

Mr. Osmun was married at Phillipsburg in December, 1869, to Louise VanScoten of that city. He was educated in the public schools, and in 1865 went to work for the D., L. & W. Railroad as a woodpasser for the old style engines. In 1869 he was promoted to the position of engineer and continued in that capacity until 1902.

In 1897 he formed the partnership firm of E. M. Osmun & Son, general plumbers and steamfitters. In 1907 he incorporated the company of Osmun & Co. in order to take care of his ever increasing business, and held the office of vice president and treasurer up to the time of his death.

He was one of the oldest members of Independence Lodge, No. 42, F. & A. M., having joined in 1870.

Mr. Osmun was very active in doing his part in the establishing of the American Saw Mill Machinery Co. and the Lackawanna Leather Co. in our community. He was at all times ready to respond to any movement which would help our community, devoting his time and money liberally for these purposes. He was kind and gentle and had the honor of a host of friends in our community. The community has reason to regret the passing away of a man of his high character and principles and The Gazette, with his many friends, extends its deepest sympathy to the family in their bereavement.

The deceased is survived by his wife, Louisa, and the following sons and daughters, Charles R. Osmun, of this place; Dr. A Fern Osmun, of Phillipsburg; Miss Emma Osmun and Mrs. Harry W. Hazen, of this place; Mrs. Paul F. Beam of Phillipsburg; Mrs. Mary L. O'Connell, of Easton.

Funeral services were held from Mr. Osmun's late residence last Wednesday afternoon at three o'clock. Rev. Warren R. Neff, pastor of Trinity M. E. Church, officiated. Interment was in Union Cemetery.

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NAME: Elisha Milton Osmun

DATE OF DEATH: March 18, 1928

(Born June 17, 1848)