

PONTIAC RAIL POSTER

Mr. C. Johnson, died at his late residence in this village, last Friday night aged 56 years, he leaves a wife and several children. Although Mr. Johnson, has lived in this village less than a year, he leaves many warm friends. Services by Rev. Morris Monday afternoon were largely attended.

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Obituary.

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A sudden death occurred in this village early Monday morning, when LeGrand Botsford departed this life. It was known that the deceased was afflicted with diabetes, but up till within a few hours of his demise no one supposed the end was so near. Saturday night he rode through our streets and seemed to be much on the gain but on returning home took to his bed never to rise again. All day Sunday he lay in a comatose condition, breathing his last breath at ten minutes after six o'clock Monday morning. The deceased was 36 years of age, and leaves a wife and three children between the ages of five and ten years. Of his nature none can boast of a nobler one. Generous to a fault, he never possessed a dollar that he would not give its half to a needy person—his heart nor hand ever closed when in his power to bestow. It is safe to say no person ever heard him say aught against any one, and so prominent was this characteristic that it was the remark of all who knew him.

During his life he had probably sung and furnished music for funeral occasions a greater number of times than any one person in the County, going when ever called upon and to whatever place, far or near.

If he had faults, it was only because he was human, but that his good qualities far overbalanced his bad ones, all most freely admit.

Arrangements for the funeral are not yet made, but, in all probability it will take place on Wednesday. His brother Will E. Botsford, of the U. S. Postal Service has been telegraphed for but at this writing has not arrived.

JOHN B. LAPHAM.