

PONTIAC BILL POSTER

Feb 22 Death of Burt S. Martin. *1888*

Burt S. Martin died at the residence of W. W. Quigley, No. 69 Bostwick street, Grand Rapids, where he had been boarding, at three o'clock Monday afternoon. Mr. Martin was twenty-one years old and the only son of county surveyor, E. C. Martin. He had been ill of pneumonia and plury for a little less than three weeks. The affliction falls with crushing weight upon his parents, because his mother is an invalid and his father did not reach home from Louisiana, where he was prospecting for pine lands for Robinson & Lacy, of G. Rapids, until after his death. Because of telegrams which were sent him, that were not delivered, Mr. Martin did not arrive until 7:30 Monday night, when he was met by Hon. M. C. Burch and others, and learned that his son was dead.

Although his father was away and his mother unable to care for him, he received the most skillful nursing and unceasing attention from two of his aunts, Misses Fanny and Estella Short, who clung to the hope that with the aid of a skillful physician and good nursing, his life might be saved. The bereavement falls heavily upon his aunts as well as his father and mother, as he was their only nephew and greatly beloved by them.

The remains were brought to Pontiac and funeral services held Thursday afternoon at the residence of John Prentice, on Auburn avenue, sermon by Rev. C. T. Allen, after which burial took place at Oak Hill cemetery.

The remains of George Humphrey reached Pontiac from California Saturday evening and funeral services were largely attended Monday afternoon from the residence of Prof. Fitch on Williams street. Several Detroit friends and companions of the deceased attended the funeral. *Feb 29 1888*

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A Chicago dispatch dated Feb. 22, says: "Dr. Teed, the faith-cure or mental physician attending Mr. Fletcher Benedict, who died Monday from lack of proper treatment for broncho-pneumonia, was held to the grand jury to-day by the coroner, the charge being practicing medicine without a license. The dead man was not a believer in faith cure, but his wife was, and she to-day, notwithstanding her husband's death, gave evidence tending to shield the 'Doctor.' Another woman believer became his security. Teed came here from New York about a year ago. He claims to have treated 20,000 people by the 'Koreshan' or faith cure process."