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J. C. McIlrath

Notwithstanding the blinding snow storm of last Sunday a large company of friends and neighbors in the vicinity of Brooklyn turned to follow the remains of J. C. McIlrath to their last resting place in the I. O. F. cemetery. About two months ago he suffered a nervous break down and notwithstanding all that human help could do was given him he gradually grew weaker and on last Thursday forenoon while visiting at the home of his brother, Hugh McIlrath near Carnforth, he committed suicide by hanging in a corn crib. Few men in their time have distributed more good cheer among their associates than he, as he was especially gifted with a sunny disposition. He was a good citizen in every detail and gave much of his time and talent to the public good. The funeral services were conducted by Rev. Mr. Koons, of the Presbyterian church of which he was a member, assisted by Rev. Mr. Maxwell, of Victor. He was also a member in good standing in the Masonic lodge, which conducted the services at the grave; also of the K. P. and I. O. O. F. He leaves a wife and four sons to mourn his untimely loss.