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Death of Hon Lewis Porter

In last week's REVIEW we gave the particulars of the poisoning of Hon. Lewis Porter, of Garden City, by drinking a quantity of corrosive sublimate in mistake for home made wine. At the time his condition was dangerous, but subsequently favorable symptoms lead [sic] his attending physician to anticipate his ultimate recovery. Since Tuesday, however, his symptoms took an unfavorable turn, gradually growing worse until on Thursday his condition was alarming. A consultation with physicians was held on Friday when Mr. Porter had sunk into a state of unconsciousness, his case was pronounced [sic] hopeless. He continued thus until Friday night, when he died.

Mr. Porter was one of the best and most intelligent farmer [sic] in this county. He had given some attention to politics, and represented this county in the state Senate in 1867 and 1868. He always took an active part in the local affairs of his town, indeed anything of a public character. When the grange movement started, it enlisted his earnest sympathy, he became prominently connected with the order, and was for a year president of the county council.

Early in life, Mr. Porter had given some attention to the study of law, and having leased his farm last year, he removed to this city, resuming his studies with Hon M. J. Severance, and was afterwards admitted to the bar, passing a very credible examination. He was a gentleman of fine abilities and extended general information, a concise and forcible writer, and a good public speaker.

In public and private life and in the broadest sense of the term, Lewis Porter was a good man; he was a useful citizen, seeking to benefit and elevate his fellow men: a true friend; and to his family a kind husband and an intelligent parent. In all these relations of life he will be sadly missed, and his sudden and untimely death a source of deep sorrow.

Mr. Porter was in the 48th year of his age, and at the time of his misfortune in the prime of life. He leaves a wife and three children.

His funeral took place at Garden City on Sunday last.