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Mrs. John Townsend Passes Away Tuesday

Mrs. John Townsend, a highly esteemed lady of this city passed away at her home here Tuesday at noon, after being ill for the past two years. For the past two weeks she has been confined to her room,

Although suffering throughout this long period with an incurable malady, Mrs. Townsend waged a heroic and bitter fight against the inevitable. Her determined battle to ward off eternity pulled her through crisis after crisis, and even at the last, when the Death Angel was about to gather up her frail form, grown weak and weary through months of ceaseless struggle, and carry it into the Great Beyond, an indomitable spirit caused her to murmur to a doctor bending over her: "Pull me through." But medical science had already exerted its every effort, and death claimed a life that had been full of love and tenderness, of thoughtfulness and charity to society in general, and her friends in particular.

Mrs. Townsend was born in Howard City, Mich., the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Boynton, and came to Groton in early girlhood. Some time after coming to Groton she was married to John Townsend, and they have made their home in this city since coming to Groton, with the exception of winters spent in Florida.

She is survived by her husband and one daughter, together with a brother and sister, Mrs. Camburn, who was here at the time of her death. Charles Boynton is said to live in San Francisco.

The funeral will be held from the residence at 2:30, Thursday afternoon, conducted by Rev. Spence, and the remains laid to rest in Groton cemetery.