

September 11, 1902

## FUNERAL OF JAMES ARM- STRONG.

Last Friday evening the remains of James Armstrong, of Lily were brought from Watertown to Groton for interment, and funeral services occurred on Saturday afternoon. Mr. Armstrong was thirty-three years of age, and had been ill but a short time, having suffered a stroke of paralysis.

Deceased was brought to Groton for interment, as two little sons, four and two years of age, died here from the effects of poisoning and were laid to rest in Union cemetery three years before. It was the request of the dying father that he be buried beside them.

Reference to the files of the Independent of September 7th, 1899, indicates that the family formerly lived on the Curry farm seven miles southeast of here, and had but recently moved here from Wisconsin. The little boys were poisoned by eating a quantity of rough-on-rats, mixed with syrup, and placed—supposedly out of their reach—in the barn.

The remains were accompanied here by the widow and one child, besides brothers and sisters of the deceased.

One brother, summoned from Colorado, reached Groton just after the funeral.