

**PELHAM, N. H.**

Pelham, N. H., Feb. 23.

The death of Mrs. James Otis Titcomb is a distinct shock to a great number of Lowell people who have enjoyed the boundless hospitality of her home and her sincere friendship for many years.

Mrs. Titcomb was in no sense a commonplace woman, but one who always had the spirit of her forbears who were the earliest settlers of New Hampshire, who immediately after landing in Boston forged their way up the Merrimack valley guided by hunters, passing through Lowell, then but a wilderness.

The descendants of these first comers became later the fighters in the Revolutionary war and Mrs. Titcomb's background, together with her early life and training in a typical New England home, prepared her for the life of great activity and usefulness which she enjoyed.

Upon her marriage, Mrs. Titcomb became a resident of Pelham and the town always profited by her zeal and endeavor in bringing about progressive changes. Oftentimes her ministrations to friends and neighbors in sickness or distress severely taxed her own strength but she never failed or disappointed any one who looked to her for help. In fact, those who knew her best feel that in very few lives have so many duties been so perfectly and completely performed.