

**Eleanor Hurley (Clark) Neal**, (Died 28 March 1913), Patriot, Saturday, March 29, 1913; Mrs. Robert C. Neal Club Woman, Dies – Was One of the Pioneers In Civic Club, Charity Women; End Sudden – Found Dying on Floor

**Mrs. Robert C. Neal**, one of the pioneers in woman's club circles of the city died suddenly at 1:30 o'clock yesterday at the family residence, 15 North Front Street. Shortly after lunch yesterday, **Mr. Neal** found her lying unconscious on the floor of her dressing room. He carried her to her bed. She did not regain consciousness and died an hour later. Hemorrhage of the brain was the cause of death.

**Mrs. Neal** has been in ill health for two years. Part of that time her sight was impaired and she withdrew from the position of social prominence she occupied. During the last year, however, she had improved greatly and only the night before her death attended the theater. She with her husband left before the performance ended but none who saw her then thought her in any but good health.

Her sudden death spread gloom over the circles in which she was recognized as a bright and intelligent woman. This gloom spread even to the school children before whom she, as a progressive club woman, had been accustomed to read papers and speak. Social circles, even though she had been missed from the formal affairs for a time, were grieved by her death.

**Mrs. Neal** was born **Eleanor Clark** the daughter of **Mr. and Mrs. Robert Clark**, of Bloomsburg, her father having been a prominent attorney there. Her immediate family consisted of her husband and two sons, **Robert C. Jr.**, and **Harold**, both residing at home. In addition to these she is survived by these brothers and sisters, **John, Mary** and **Martha**, of Bloomsburg; **George** of Hollidaysburg; **Arthur H.**, of this city, and **William**, of Florida.

Funeral services will be held in Bloomsburg, probably Monday. Services will be held at the family residence Sunday evening at 6:30 o'clock.

**Mrs. Neal** was one of the pioneers' of the present large group of public spirited woman of this city, who are devoting their time, talent and money to the betterment of the city and civic conditions generally. She was one of the early members of the civic club and her interest and energy in this work was an inspiration that helped make the organization the potent one it is today. In the educational and municipal departments of the club she found her greatest opportunity for work and was in this capacity that she frequently addressed the public schools.

She was also an active, enthusiastic member of St. Stephen's Church. Charities were her delight and in the bazaars and sales under church auspices she was ever and leader. She was also a member of the board of managers of the children's industrial home.

**Mrs. Neal** was married in Bloomsburg and with her family came to this city in 1889.

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