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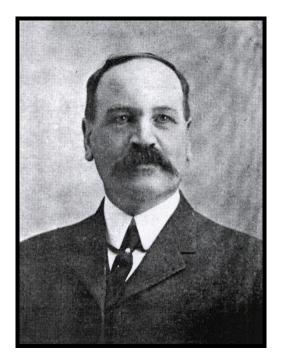
HALL, CHARLES TAYLOR of Montgomery son of Samuel S and Martha M Taylor Hall was born in Montreal PQ Feb 23 1862 He received his early education in the public schools of Waltham Mass., and completed his education in the high school at Montreal.

His father was a manufacturer of woodenware, and the son, manifesting a natural aptitude for the business from the early age of sixteen, had the practical management and was foreman of the factory, remaining in that capacity until he was twenty years old. In 1882 the factory was burned, and he engaged in the manufacture of veneering for five years, at the expiration of which time he purchased an interest in the large butter-tub works of The \V. H. Stiles Company, at Montgomery Centre, and has been ever nsice the junior partner and business,manager of the concern. The company also engage in the manufacture of floor boards and bobbins, and have been so successful in their operations that they are about to largely increase their plant, and have recently purchased one thousand acres of spruce timber land, thus providing a sufficiency of material for the next twenty years.

Though taking a lively interest in politics as a member of the Republican party, Mr. Hall has never sought or held public office, and of secret societies he is a member of the Masonic fraternity only.

He was married to Etta L., daughter of H. P. and Ann (Fogg) Foss, of Franklin, March, 1886, by whom he has had one daughter.

Excerpted from: "Successful Vermonters" by William Hartley Jeffrey. 1907



HALL, CHARLES TAYLOR, son of Samuel R and Martha M. (Taylor) Hall, was born in Montreal, Quebec, February 23, 1862. He was educated in the public schools of Waltham, Massachusetts, and the high school at Montreal. His father, a former manufacturer of wooden ware, a skillful and inventive mechanic and patentee of the machine now used for turning lasts, is still a hale and active man at the age of 76.

In December, 1888, Mr. Hall came to Montgomery Center and became the junior partner with Hon. Asa B. Nelson of Derby Line, in the ownership of the extensive spruce butter tub factory, formerly owned by W. H. Stiles & Co. He has since been the manager of this great and prosperous enterprise and has devoted to it that rare combination of energy, inventive genius and business sagacity that, in spite of two disastrous fires and other difficulties, has placed it in the front rank as the largest manufactory of spruce wood butter packages in the United States.

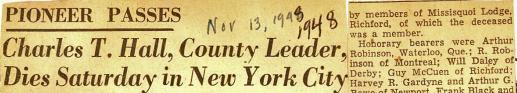
The company owns 8,000 acres of timber lands, cuts and manufactures 2,500,000 feet of lumber annually and sells more than a million and a half of butter tubs and packages. The tub staves are loaded upon cars which are run into a room, where they are completely seasoned and kiln dried in 48 hours, without handling until they reach the lathes, a device employed only in this factory. More than one hundred men are employed in and about the factory, mostly permanent residents. They are paid every Wednesday and the company has never had a strike.

In November, 1904, the company was incorporated as the Nelson & Hall Co., with a capital stock of \$100,000, at a premium of 20 per cent. Charles Taylor Hall is president and business manager; Colonel Charles E. Nelson of Derby Line, son of the late Hon. Asa B. Nelson is vice-president and treasurer and Pliny White Hall, brother of Charles T, who has been connected with the business for eight years, is superintendent.

The company has furnished the two villages with a system of electric lights and the Center with a sanitary water system. In politics a stanch Republican, Mr. Hall has never sought nor held public office. He is a member of Lafayette Commandery of St. Albans and of Cairo Mystic Shrine.

Charles T. Hall married, in 1886, Etta L., daughter of H. P. and Ann (Fogg) Foss of Franklin. Their two children, Mildred J. and Charles Maurice Hall, are, respectively, 13 and five years of age.

St. Albans Messenger articles and obit folloew:



Dies Saturday in New York City MONTGOMERY CENTER.—Charles Taylor Hall, 86, first citi-zen of this village for the past 60 years, whose influence was felt throughout the eastern end of the county during his active years in business, died Saturday in St. Luke's Hospital, New York City. The veteran industrialist, who pioneered in the veneer fabrica-tion in this section that was later the sale of his holdings to Atlas Plywood 24 years ago, failed tor rally from the last two serious operations performed there about 10 days ago. The body of the man whose mame is tied in with the com-munity's virile years, will arrive until his children grew up and here toright for services and Marked to the serve us and the sale of no whose the family lot in Cres-tortable home in the village in munity's virile years, will arrive until his children grew up and here toright for services and Marked to the the family lot in Cres-tortable home in the village in the serve serve the family lot in Cres-tortable home in the village in the family maintained a com-tortable home in the village in the serve serve the family lot in Cres-tortable home in the village in the serve serve tore tor 1948 **C. T. Hall at** 

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Mr. Hall, son of the late Samuel S. and Martha Taylor Hall, was born in Waterloo, Me., Feb. 23, 1862, received his basic educa-

Too virile a man to enjoy idleness, he developed another veneer business with members of the Nel-Company in North Troy, a busi-ness he sold last year to the Libby-Gowens Glass Company of Pittsburgh, Pa.

He was also a party with his Funeral of Charles T. Hall

in Alabama.

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the Mrs. Lyman E. Hall of Newport, Mr. and Mrs. Ainslie B. Law-rence of St. Albans, Mrs. Laurel Samson and son of Franklin, Mr. Samson and son of Franklin, Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence K. Hall of Ocean City, N. J., Mr. and Mrs. Ryland Taisey, Mr. and Mrs. Oli-ver Hunt and Walter Lee of North Troy, Mr. and Mrs. Wil-liam Kimball of East Fairfield Mrs. N. S. Parker of Waterbury Frank Sargent of Dunkin, Que. and many friends from neighbor-

# Last Rites Held for **Plywood Pioneer**

Story of Life of Late C. T. Hall Also Story of

Ind Lodge, F. & A. M., participated in the services.
Preceding the church services there was a short prayer service at the late home of Mr. Hall.
Both the home and the church were banked with beautiful flowers. Several score relatives, friends, several score relatives, friends, and treasurer of the veneer and ply-wood industry. Gained through 70 years of active participation.
Most of the leaders of the plywood industry. Therement followed the church services, with burial in the family lot in the Montgomery Center cemetry as the setting sun shed its soft glow on snow-mantled Big Jay and Jay Peak, both favorite scenic spots



## C. T. Hall

of the late well-known northern Vermont business man. Bearers were: Keith Aldrich, man-

ager Vermont Plywood, Inc., Han-cock; Fred Brown, president Enos-burg Falls Savings Bank and Trust Saturday his career was a busy one. Co.; Harold Gavel, woods manager, Atlas Plywood Co., Richford; Louis - manufactured butter tubs, clap-Atlas Plywood Co., Richford; Louis, a manufactured butter tubs, clap-Hart, Richford; Walter Lee, produc-boards and lumber at Montgomery tion manager, Blair Veneer Co., Center in 1887, later forming Nelson North Troy and Ryland Taisey, vice and Hall Co., with Asa B. Nelson of president and treasurer, Blair Ve-neer Co., and president Vermont Plywood Co., Inc.

Honorary bearers included: Frank Me. Black, cashier, Enosburg Falls Sav-Ings Bank and Trust Co.; Thayer Comings, Sweat-Comings Co., Rich-ford; W. R. Dailey, Derby, formerly was destroyed by fire on Christmas

with Veneer Products Co., Green-ville, Me., and retired treasurer of Blair Veneer Co.; Harvey R. Gar-dyne, Lakeside Plywood Co., New-port; Guy McCuin, manager Atlas Plywood Co. Biobford: Arthur Bob Plywood Co., Richford; Arthur Rob-inson, president Waterloo, Que., Plywood Corp.; Ronney Robinson,

C. T. Hail Also Story of Vt. Plywood Development Funeral services for the late C. T. Hall, 86, were held Tuesday after-noon at the Montgomery Center Community Baptist Church. Rev. Harry Lindley, pastor of the church, was the officiating clerzyman. Rich-ford Lodge, F. & A. M., participated in the services. Preceding the church services at Preceding the church services at Plywood Corp.; Ronney Robinson, Montreal, Que. The life of the late Mr. Hall is really the story of the veneer and Surviving all his earliest associates, he was able to gather round him how as able to gather round him he was able to

Although Mr. Hall was a staunch Republican, he never sought public office.

For over 50 years Mr. Hall was a member of Richford Lodge, No. 9, F. & A. M.

He was a member of the Congregational Church and after the union of that denomination with the Community Baptist Church of Mont-gomery Center, served both churchtrustee and sang in both as church choirs.

With a keen appreciation of muis, the late Mr. Hall missed no op-portunity to listen to the great art-ists. He was widely traveled, having been in Europe and traveled around the mediate of the second second the world once. He enjoyed life to

Eve, 1912. It was repuilt on the same site, only on a smaller scale. His entrance into the plywood business was in 1914 when he started the manufacture of plywood boxes at Montgomery Center. He was joined by the late Ralph M. Buck, a wizard at sales' promotion. In 1915 he ioined with Myron J.

He numbered among his custom-ers some of the biggest names in the East such as: American Woolen Mills, Esmond Mills, Nashua Mfg. Co., and Victor Talking Machine Co., and soon Nelson and Hall Co. and its various affiliates were recognized as among the foremost producers of -plywood for shipping containers.

plywood for shipping containers. In order to better serve the Victor Company in 1919 a branch assembling plant was established at Cam-den, N. J., in charge of a nephew, Lyman Hall, now president of Blair

Veneer Co. The Atlas Plywood Corp. of Bos-ton found him in 1926 as one of its active organizers with others, which consolidated Nelson & Hall Co.; Richford Manufacturing Co.; Ver-

Richford Manufacturing Co.; Vermont Plywood Co., Morrisville; Allen Quimby Co., Stockholm, Me.;
Empire Mfg. Co., and Utility Veneer Co., Goldsboro, N. C.
From 1926-28 he served as chairman of the board of the Atlas Plywood and in 1929, following the death of M. J. Blair, North Troy, founder of Blair Veneer Co., Mr.
Hall became active in Blair Veneer and resigned his connections with the Atlas concern. By 1930 he acthe Atlas concern. By 1930 he acquired control, became president and concentrated all his manufacturing interests in Blair Veneer, and was elected president of French &

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the full, almost to the last.
He died in St. Luke's Hospital, in
New York City, November 13, fol-lowing two serious operations for a stomach ailment complicated by ad-vanced age.
The late Mr. Hall was born at Montreal, Que, February 23, 1862, son of Samuel Stillman and Mar-tha Taylor Hall. He attended schools in Montreal, Grand Ligne, father at Beebe, Que, in making shoe lasts sold in nearby Montreal, then a large shoe manufacturing enter. It was here his father made the first veneer lathe on the Ameri-can continent.
was elected president of French & Heald, Milford, N. H. In 1946 he resigned as president of the Blair Veneer Co. and became chairman of the board. Last May all stock of the Blair Veneer Co. was acquired by Owens Illinois Glass Co., Toledo, Ohio, Mr. Hall remaining as board chairman. In addition to other life interests he served at various times for the following companies: Director New American House, Richford; presi-land Telephone and Telegraph Co. ans; Mrs. Rachen, and Mr. and Mr. Mrs. bans lin, a New] T.; iery K. burg Falls Savings Bank and Trust 5

Montgoi Lawrenc Y.; Mr. Co. Survivors include a brother, How-ard W. Hall, Noroton Heights, Conn.; sister, Mrs. Nellie Nelson, Derby Line and Boston, Mass.; daughter, Mrs. O. H. Leber, Mont-clair, N. J.; son, C. Maurice Hall, Montelair, N. J.; grandson, Charles T. Hall, H. Montclair, N. J.; and a granddaughter, Marion Virginia Hall, Montclair, N. J. Among the members of the fam-

Among the members of the fam-ily attending the funeral were: Dr. and Mrs. O. H. Leber, Mr. and Mrs.