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member of the Rescue Temple of that city. He was elected by the Grand Temple, general superintendent of the juvenile branch of the order, and while holding that position prepared the ritual for the juvenile temples.

Mr. Purple was twice married. He left a wife and eight children, three sons, and five daughters; the eldest of the latter, Mrs. D. Lloyd Jones, of Stevens Point, was the daughter of his first wife, to whom he was married in Weedsport, N. Y. in 1844. After her death, he was again married, in 1850, to Mary C. Patterson, by whom he had the other children. The second daughter is Mrs. B. F. Hazeltin, of Bradford, Pa.; the younger daughters, Sarah, May, and Hattie, reside with their mother at Watertown. The sons are Charles D. and Frank E. Purple, of Bradford, Pa., and William C. Purple of Black Hawk, Colorado.

As a husband and father, he was kind, loving and faithful. No one could be more beloved by his family than he was. As a friend, he was pleasant, genial, true, and always reliable. He was emphatically a good and true man in all the relations of life.