Childs Mantor

Childs Mantor was born 17 January 1847 in Ohio.[1] He was the fifth of seven children of Amzi Childs Mantor and Rebecca Wardall.[2] In 1850, the family was living in Green, Hamilton, Ohio.[3] By 1860, they had moved to Concord, Iroquois, Illinois.[4] On the 1870 census, Childs was a farmer, living with his parents and siblings in Concord, Iroquois, Illinois.[5] He graduated from University of Chicago and received a medical degree from Rush Medical College in 1876.[6]

Childs married Mary Hogle about 1877 in Utah Territory; they had three children.[7] On the 1880 census, he was a physician, living with his wife, son and father-in-law in Silver Reef, Washington, Utah Territory.[8] In March that year, there were only two patients in the hospital. Two young brothers named Bowen were caught in the cave-in of a cabin roof up the canyon. One was killed and the other was injured and under the care of Childs.[9] In 1881, there was a fatal accident at the Christy mill. Henry Thomas, an amalgamator at the mill, was repairing a belt when his arm was caught in it and he was "carried around with frightful velocity". The machinery was shut down but he sustained broken arms and a broken and crushed leg. The shattered leg was amputated by Childs, but Thomas died eleven hours later.[10]

By 1885, Childs and his family had moved to Park City.[11] He practiced as a physician but also involved in mining. He was the president and trustee of the West End Mining Company in Park City, Summit, Utah Territory.[12] In 1888, he was elected coroner of Summit County.[13] In 1890 the family moved to Salt Lake City, Salt Lake, Utah, where he practiced as a physician until 1911.[14] On the 1900 census, he was living with his wife and three children in Salt Lake City.[15] In 1902, he formed the Sheldon company to operate the old Chicago property at Bingham.[16]

By 1902, the family was living in Nephi, Juab, Utah. Childs had a 160-acre arid farm which he sold to the county treasurer, B. Christensen.[17] In 1908, his wife and daughters spent the winter in Long Beach, California.[18] He continued to be involved in mining, and was considered a "distinguished"

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[1] California San Francisco Area Funeral Home Records, 1835-1979.
[2] *Familysearch.org*
[3] United States Census, 1850.
[4] United States Census, 1860.
[5] United States Census, 1870.
[6] US School Catalogs, 1765-1935; Fergus' Historical Series, Vol 11, 1879, p. 69.
[7] *Familysearch.org*
[8] United States Census, 1880.
[9] *Salt Lake Herald*, 4 March 1880, p. 3.
[10] *Salt Lake Herald*, 26 May 1881, p. 3.
[11] *Salt Lake Herald*, 16 April 1885, p. 4; 10 August 1890, p. 7.
[12] *Salt Lake Herald*, 29 September 1887, p. 5.
[13] *Salt Lake Herald*, 29 August 1888, p. 8.
[14] US City Directories, 1822-1995.
[15] United States Census, 1900.
[16] *Salt Lake Herald*, 27 October 1903, p. 5.
[17] *Salt Lake Herald*, 15 September 1907, p. 14; 24 November 1907, p. 14.
[18] *Salt Lake Tribune*, 7 January 1908, p. 5.

mining expert".[19] The family moved back to Salt Lake City in 1910[20], but Child was still practicing in Nephi. His son came to visit him there.[21]

By 1915, Childs had a medical license in Nevada, and practiced in Tobar, Elko, Nevada, and Eureka, Eureka, Nevada. [22] Mary died in 1917 in California.[23] On the 1920 census, Childs was a doctor boarding in Eureka, Eureka, Nevada.[24] He died of acute pulmonary edema and carcinoma of bladder on 16 January 1921 in San Francisco, San Francisco, California. He was cremated.[25]

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[19] *Salt Lake Herald-Republican*, 12 October 1909, p. 12.
[20] *Salt Lake Herald-Republican*, 10 April 1910, p. 38.
[21] United States Census, 1910; *Salt Lake Herald-Republican*, 12 June 1910, p. 37; Directory of Deceased American Physicians, 1804-1929.
[22] Deceased American Physicians, 1804-1929.
[23] California Death Index, 1905-1939.
[24] United States Census, 1920.
[25] California Death Index, 1905-1939; California San Francisco Area Funeral Home Records, 1835-1979.