

An Obituary Of
3-29-1932
Mrs. Emma Bailey

(J. O.)

Emma Augusta Jackson was born July 8, 1862, near Kewanee in Bureau County, Illinois. She was the eldest daughter of John and Jane Jackson who were natives of England. While Emma was still quite young the family moved to a farm in Washington county, Iowa, where they established a home on the raw prairie.

There were seven children in the family and Emma being the eldest had many duties to perform which deprived her of continuous school privileges. However she did attend what was known as the Washington Academy at Washington, Iowa, and then became a teacher.

On October 5, 1880, she and J. O. Bailey of Washington County were united in marriage. Two children were born, Myrtle, now Mrs. Edwin E. Bump of Joliet, Illinois, and Noel now of Minneapolis, Minnesota. They moved to Grinnell from Marshalltown in 1885 in order that the children might have the educational advantages of this city. August 10, 1890, the husband passed away leaving Mrs. Bailey with the care of the two young children. Her prayer then was that she might live to bring these children to maturity. This prayer was answered and she saw not only her children grow to maturity but also three grandsons grow into young manhood.

On coming to Grinnell Mrs. Bailey identified herself with the M. E. church and remained an active member till failing health and finally death on Wednesday, March 29, 1932, caused her to lay down her earthly duties. She was always a member of the W. C.