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Anna E. Barns was born in Clarksfield, Huron county, Ohio, April 18, 1838. Her grandfather was the third settler in that vicinity, moving from Connecticut. When she was 16 years old the family moved to Iowa, coming by wagon, and settled near Iowa City. She taught one of the first schools ever established in that locality, at the munificent salary of \$11 per month and boarding around. Mrs. J. Mad Williams, of Des Moines, one of the trustees of Drake University, was one of her pupils at that time.

In 1857 she was married to David Higbee. During most of her married life she resided in Iowa, at Iowa City, Grinnell, Avoca, Osceola and Des Moines. Two years ago Mr. Higbee died and since that time Mrs. Higbee has been making her home with her oldest daughter, Mrs. W. E. Reeves, of Kansas City. There were three other children, Frank Higbee, Edward Higbee, both deceased, and Miss Nellie Higbee, of Kansas City.

The funeral was held on Friday afternoon, from the home of Mrs. Higbee's brother, H. S. Barnes, 510 Main street. The services were conducted by her former pastor, Rev. Charles S. Medbury, of the University Church of Christ, Des Moines. Those present from out of town were Miss Nellie Higbee, of Kansas City, Mo., Frank Higbee, grandson, of Kansas City, Mrs. J. Mad Williams, of Des Moines, William King, of Des Moines, David Luse, of Carroll, James Reeves and Miss Minnie Reeves, of Osceola.