

OBITUARY

MRS. A. P. PHILLIPS.

A letter from Los Angeles, Cal., dated the 21st, addressed to the Herald, brings the news of the death of Mrs. A. P. Phillips, so long a resident of Grinnell and so highly respected:

Phillips.—Jan'y 21, 1897, at 1030 Carroll Ave., Los Angeles, Cal., Maria Griswold Phillips.

Maria Griswold was born in Dryden, New York, May 25th, 1833.

She was one of eight children born to Nathan Griswold and his wife, Patience Linsey. Two brothers and two sisters survive her. She was a decendent of Abram Griswold, a pioneer, who left Kenilworth, England, a short time before the present century.

At the age of fifteen the deceased taught her first school, afterward attending the academy at Ithaca, N. Y. At twenty she married Aaron P. Phillips who was then the district singing master. Soon after marriage the young couple moved to Illinois. They subsequently moved to Grinnell, Iowa, where they lived twenty years. Here their three children grew up and were educated.

The deceased was ever willing in all good works, president of the W. C. T. U., leasness of the Congregational church, and active in both home and foreign missions. Articles from her pen on Temperance, a subject ever dear to her heart, and correspondence from Colorado and California were published in a home paper.

In 1887 the family came to Los Angeles. Though much broken in health, the deceased maintained deep interest in all things good and true. As far as her strength would permit she gave a helping hand to every worthy cause. She was the first president of the local Temperance Union organized in her neighborhood. She served as a prominent officer in the Home and Foreign Missionary Societies of the First Congregational church, of which church she was a member. At the time of her demise she was vice-president of the Los Angeles Association of the W. B. F. M. of Southern California.

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