

Mary E. Chatterton, d. 19 Aug 1871 (b. 1852?), Grin Herald 23 Aug 1871

Obituary.

Miss Mary E. Chatterton, only daughter of L. J. Chatterton Esq of this City, died at her Father's residence, on Saturday the 19th inst., at the age of 19 years. This not unlooked-for event, coming with the stealthy tread of Consumption, the great destroyer, brought to a wide circle an oppressive gloom.

All that our salubrious air and the famed mountains of Colorado, and the most that Medical skill could do did not avail to stay a hereditary disease and prolong that young life, so full of promise.

Her subdued, yet cheerful and winsome spirit, lent attraction to personal endowment and a lady-like bearing, and a sweet and guileless life, which won a tribute from companions while in health, and evoked expressions of sorrow at the new home where the deceased, in the expressive language of the Pastor, had by "a christian life and death, consecrated the new home."

A long and sad procession moved through the parlors where the school mate and friend rested from her music and the unfinished pictures, robed in the chaste and floral adornment of friends for the grave, and multitudes followed the departed to the Cemetery evincing how much they would have done for the living, and how sad they were in sympathy with the stricken family whose idol form they must bury, and from which a chastened christian spirit had flown, ever to bear dear kindred and the friends of earth up to its home enjoying a nearer communion with her God.

Aged Grand-parents, not long will you be separated from her who would have loved to have been your stay. Parents, and Brothers you have a family jewel re-set and brilliant in the royal Diadem, and for our sorrow we have the precious memory of one who had no enemies to forgive and could bid a smiling farewell to none but friends.

J. B. G.