

OBITUARY.

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EDNA AUGUSTA BARNES.

Edna A. Barnes was born in Brewer, Maine, Oct. 9th, 1870. In March, 1874, the family removed to Grinnell and here the rest of her life was passed. Educated in the Grinnell schools she graduated from the high school in the class of 1890, a careful and thorough student, always womanly, modest and sincere.

She afterwards took a two years course in music in Iowa College, and later the course in a Cedar Rapids Business College.

In her life she was essentially a helper. Modest, retiring and true, she was nevertheless active in so many ways, in church, Sunday school and society that she will be missed by an unusually large circle of acquaintances. For several years as organist in the Baptist church, as teacher in the Sunday school, as an active worker in the Baptist Ladies' Benefit Society, and as a member of the Literary Clan and the O. E. S., she performed a wide and important part in local matters. Her entire life has proven her the true and sincere character that marked her high school days, and in her death the church and community lose one of the pure of earth.

More recently she has been stenographer and bookkeeper with German & Lincoln, having gone a few months ago to Craig, Mont., to enjoy a year's vacation with her sister, Mrs. H. C. Porter. On October 1, while in apparent perfect health she was stricken with cerebral apoplexy, while enjoying a game of croquet with her sister. Her death occurred in the hospital at Cascade, Mont., October 6. On October 9 the body reached Grinnell accompanied by Mrs. Porter. The funeral was held Tuesday, Oct. 10, at her late home in the open air conducted by Rev. L. D. Weyand. Abundance of flowers testified in a small way the esteem and love of many donors and included gifts from the Fire Department, B. Y. P. U., Literary Clans, O. E. S., the primary department of the Baptist Church.