

## The Death Of John G. Brown In California

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I have received from a niece of John G. Brown, whose death was reported in the last Herald, a somewhat longer notice than we had. The statement reads:

John G. Brown was born in Devonshire, England, April 22, 1850. The family came to America in 1851, settling first in Wisconsin and later moving to a farm south of Grinnell in the Westfield community. He was united in marriage to Miss Maria E. Powers of Kellogg, Sept. 7, 1876, and they resided for a time on a farm joining the John Powers farm in Rock Creek township. Later they moved to a farm in the Westfield community south of Grinnell, and then to Grinnell. They built the residence located at 1303 N. Main street, and made that their home until 1912, when they went to California, locating at Pasadena, where they lived for seven years, and then moved to Long Beach. Mrs. Brown died February 9, 1933, and Mr. Brown returned to Pasadena, where he was cared for at his old home until his death. Surviving relatives include one sister, Mrs. Eliza Mears of Pasadena, and an adopted son, Will Brown, of Walla Walla, Washington.

## Former Old Settler Dies In Pasadena

A letter written by Mrs. C. P. Colgrove at Pasadena tells of the death of John G. Brown, former resident of this city, but who for several years has been in southern California. In her letter she says that he died at Pasadena Friday. He was the son of a man known here as Uncle Johnny Brown and was born at Devonshire, England. John Brown came to America in 1851, settling first in Wisconsin, and later moved to what was known later as the John Brown farm southwest of Grinnell, near Westfield, making them among the early settlers at Grinnell.

The family was a large one and there is only one of them now living, Mrs. Eliza Mears, at Pasadena, formerly of Osceola Mills, Wis. Mr. Brown married Maria Powers of Kellogg, who died a little over two years ago, on Sept. 7, 1877.

Funeral services were held at Long Beach June 3. The Browns' last visit to Grinnell was about five years ago, when they visited here for a short time.