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## OBITUARY.

### MARIA J. BARTLETT HIBBARD

Maria J. Bartlett was born Jan. 16, 1841, at New Bedford, Mass. Her mother died before she was two years old and her father passed away when she was six. She then went to live with her uncle, Stephen N. Bartlett, at Bath, N. H., and came to Grinnell with his family in 1855, at the age of 14 years.

At the age of twenty-two years she was united in marriage with John Newell Hibbard. She resided with him in St. Louis, where he was engaged in business, until his death in 1878. One daughter, Katherine, was born to them, who has been her mother's constant companion since her father's death. Mrs. Hibbard returned from St. Louis to Brooklyn, Iowa, after Mr. Hibbard's death and lived there four years. Mrs. Hibbard then moved to Grinnell where the past 21 years of her life have been spent. Here she has been active in church and social work, always ready, though laboring against adverse circumstances, to do more than her share in helping along all good causes, living an earnest christian life.

At her home many students have enjoyed the comforts of home life, as she looked after their wants and needs almost as tenderly as their own mother. Though coming here with small means, by economy and thrift, aided by her daughter, she paid for her attractive home on Broad Street. For her daughter her love was strong and tender, and this love her daughter returned in so strong a degree as to make them the admiration of their friends in their devotion to each other.

Mrs. Hibbard suffered from a cancer for which she underwent an operation about six months ago, but without avail. Her death occurred Thursday evening, Oct. 15th, at 6:30 o'clock. The funeral was held Sunday afternoon at her late residence, conducted by Rev. L. F. Parker assisted by Rev. S. J. Buck, both long time friends of the deceased woman. The music was by Messrs. Harriman, and Somers and Misses Bartlett and Fagan.

The interment was in Hazlewood the bearers being Messrs. Rayburn, Moyle, Pooley, Thackeray, Rapson and William Miles.

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