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The late Mrs. C. L. Hobart, who died

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funeral services at the home of Manly

and Miss Adelle Timmerman, children

of Mrs. Hobart's sister, was interred

beside those of her kindred in Hazel

Hollow Cemetery at Grinnell.

Professor S. J. Buck offered prayer

and Professor L. F. Parker left his

home although barely able to do so

in account of serious illness, to speak

at the service. Miss Nellie Green Clark

sang a solo. The bereaved were Messrs.

A. W. Childs, G. H. Hamlin, W. T.

McMurry, J. E. Pooley, W. G. Ray and

H. B. Westlake.

Professor Packer was well fitted to

speak of Mrs. Hobart. He knew her

from her early life in Arcade, N. Y., before

her marriage. During the residence

here from 1855 till the death of

her husband in 1885 and since then

when Mrs. Hobart lived with her son

Edward with his daughter, Mrs. Theo-

dore Crowl; the relations between the

two families have been very cordial.

He could never speak of gratitude

to Mrs. Hobart in 1855, the centen-

ial telescope was given to the college.

To make it useful a pair of astronomi-

cal clocks were indispensable. The

Seth Thomas Clock Company of

Thomaston, Conn., had begun to manu-

facture their astronomical clock. The

large price \$750 each made it seem

impossible to buy one for the college.

Finally Mrs. Hobart, in consulta-

tion with Dr. H. M. Hobart, and

Mrs. Helen Hobart, Hobart, both

graduates of the college, decided to

purchase a pair of Seth Thomas clocks.

The company sent two or the first

dozen manufactured of that sort to

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The college has had occasion to remember

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