

NOT SEPARATED LONG BY DEATH

8-18-1924
Mrs. E. P. Pepoon and Daughter, Dr.
Margaret A. Pepoon, Pass Away
In San Diego.

MOTHER DIED JUST TWO WEEKS AFTER DAUGHTER

Both Are Well Remembered in Grinnell—Dr. Pepoon Graduated From College Here.

Word has been received in Grinnell of the death in San Diego, Calif., within two weeks of each other, of Mrs. E. P. Pepoon and her daughter, Dr. Margaret A. Pepoon, the latter a graduate of Grinnell College in the class of 1894. Both were former residents of Grinnell and are remembered by a large circle of friends here. The letter to The Herald says: "Mr. Pepoon is bearing up under the double tragedy bravely, as is also the son, George, and cousin, Miss Ella Rowland, who has made her home with them for twenty or thirty years."

For this letter and the tributes which follow, The Herald is indebted to a niece of Mrs. Pepoon, Eva B. Adams, of San Diego:

Mrs. E. P. Pepoon.

May Zutterbach was born in Sarnia, Canada, in 1846. She lived for a time in Michigan, then moved to Iowa. Later she settled in Grinnell, from which place she came to Southern California in 1901. In 1868 she was married to Edward P. Pepoon, who survives her. Four children were born to them, three of whom are still living. Two of the sons live in the Dakotas, and are unable to be present at these services.

Mrs. Pepoon was a woman of strong character, always to be depended on. She kept up her reading and studying, and her works of kindness and mercy

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until her last sickness. She was a valued and valuable member of different societies in San Diego and will be greatly missed by them, and by a large circle of friends. Some months ago her health began to fail. She had been sick before, and at times had suffered great pain. But this was to be her last sickness. Everything possible was done for her but in vain. Finally she sank into unconsciousness, and did not know of Dr. Margaret's death two weeks before. The end came Friday, July 18th. She was nearly 78 years old.

Funeral services were held July 21st. They were largely attended, and the ritual of the Women's Relief Corps was used by the members of that society. Rev. F. W. Straw spoke from the text, "I go to prepare a place for you."—John 14:2. The thought taken was "Preparation." He said: "God is preparing for us. Many years after Jesus spoke these words the beloved disciple who recorded them tried to show, in the Revelation, a picture of the place prepared for those who love God. He made it as beautiful as language could express, and said that there should be no sickness, pain or sorrow in that city forever."

"We may prepare for Him. In fact we all prepare, whether wisely or unwisely. Life gives us a series of lessons, and like the children in school we sometimes learn them, and sometimes refuse to. Life's lessons mean, among other things, work, toil, burdens, carrying; suffering, physical, mental, spiritual; and faith, meeting many things which cannot be understood."

"From my acquaintance with Mrs. Pepoon it has seemed to me that she learned these lessons, and so prepared herself for the great and untimely future. How she worked, and what burdens she carried for others, besides those of her own, many of you know. She suffered severely, and through it all kept her cheery face and voice for all with whom she had to do. And always she kept her faith. Life had its perplexities for her as well as for others, but she learned the lessons set for her; and this gave strength to her character."