

William

Mrs. Maroe Simpson ...
Funeral Wednesday

1-29-1926
Mary Maroe Pearson, youngest of the twelve children of Joseph and Rebecca Loring Pearson, was born near Sharon Wisconsin, Feb. 17, 1852 and passed away Jan. 23, 1926 after a long illness. When about fourteen years of age she moved with the family to Iowa settling near Kellogg, which place continued to be her home for several years. At the age of seventeen she learned the dress-making trade and soon after opened a shop of her own in Kellogg, in this way supporting her widowed mother and herself.

June 4, 1871, she was united in marriage to William S. Simpson. To them were born four children, two dying in infancy. A daughter, Mrs. Ethelyn Taylor preceeded her mother in death. Mrs. Simpson leaves to mourn her loss one son Clarence Simpson and his six children of Des Moines, also several nieces and nephews.

Funeral services were held in the Disciple Church of Kellogg, Wednesday, Jan. 27, conducted by Rev. Edmund M. Vittum of Grinnell, who spoke of Mrs. Simpson as a one who had been a valued and highly esteemed friend for thirty-five years. She united with the Congregational Church of Grinnell in 1879 and has lived a faithful and consistent Christian all her life. She has endured much pain of body and sorrow of heart, but has now gone to a brighter life in a better land.

There were present at the funeral, in addition to friends and relatives of marriage resident in Kellogg, her children, Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Simpson of Des Moines, and several friends from Grinnell, including her niece, Miss Elizabeth Stratton, Miss Ethel Longley, Mr. Ralph Longley, and Mr. and Mrs. Dolph Cox.