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EDNA M. PROCTOR.

The news of the death of Miss Edna Proctor, which occurred in San Rafael, California, March 28, brought sorrow to many Grinnell friends who have thought of her so constantly during the long months of her illness and who have so earnestly hoped for her recovery.

Edna Margaret Proctor, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. H. P. Proctor, was born in Grinnell, September 16, 1881, and died in San Rafael, California, March 28, 1909. Most of her life was spent in Grinnell, where she attended the public schools, graduating from the high school in 1900, and continuing her studies for a time in Iowa College. When very young, she began the study of music, showing marked talent and unusual ability. She completed the course in Iowa College School of Music in 1899 and took graduate work with Mrs. R. G. Cole the following year. Later she continued her musical education in Boston and in New York.

In 1891 she united with the Congregational church, retaining her membership here at the time of her death. She was faithful in all the duties relating to the church and was active in Sunday school and Y. P. S. C. E.

In 1907 she went to California where the family home was later established. About a year ago her health began to fail. Acute tuberculosis developed and in spite of favorable climate, skilled medical attention, and all that loving care could accomplish, the progress of the disease could not be checked. The past seven months she was confined to her bed. During her entire illness she was a very patient sufferer, always cheerful and hopeful, believing that she would recover, but facing whatever the future might bring with courage and a firm faith that all would be well.

Her parents, two brothers and younger sister were with her at the last. Her sister, Mrs. Dr. Underwood of New York, who had been detained in her home by illness in her family, was enroute for San Rafael, and reached there in time to be present at the interment, April 2.

The earthly close of this rarely beautiful life seems most untimely to the sorrowing relatives and the hosts of friends who have known and loved Edna from her early childhood. Her happy disposition, beautiful personality and unselfish spirit made her a favorite in all circles. In her home she was helpful and devoted and the sweetness and strength of her nature made her a blessing to all the household.

Her love for all that was beautiful expressed itself in her music. Naturally gifted, she gave to this study which she loved, years of faithful labor and acquired a remarkable musicianship - a rare equipment for her.