

OBITUARY

Notice of Dr. Eugene Augusta Goodwin

Dr. Eugene Augusta Goodwin was born at Hallowell, Me., Apr. 10, 1831 and died in Marshalltown, Iowa, October 18, 1910; age at the time of his death, 79, years, 6 months, 10 days. He was the last one of a family of 11 children.

Dr. Goodwin was married to Miss Sarah Louise Smith February 27, 1866, at Beattystown, Warren county N. J. To this union were born two children. Of this family of four only one (Edwin Goodwin, of Baxter,) is left to bear this sorrow.

Dr. Goodwin was highly educated - being a graduate of both Ann Arbor and New York medical colleges, practicing medicine for over twenty years. He and his family came to Iowa and settled in Jasper county in the year 1876.

He was a true patriot and soldier. July 14, 1861, when his country needed men, he enlisted in Co. F, Ninety-ninth regiment New York volunteers, and, for three years, suffered the privations of a soldier's life - receiving, July 2, 1864, an honorable discharge.

Dr. Goodwin was not only a well educated man, but was patriotic - a good citizen, neighbor and friend - a man of high moral worth: strictly speaking, a true Christian gentleman. He became identified with the M. E. church at the age of 16, and this little poem found in his possession tells the story of his devotional life:

Dear Saviour, help me every day
To live more nearly as I pray;
I would walk daily by thy side
And trust in Thee whatever betide.

Help me to live so near to Thee
Thy likeness may be seen in me,
Make me so kind, gentle and true,
That I would do as Thou wouldst do.

To win some precious souls to Thee
My errand here on earth would be
And every day till Thou shalt come
To do some good, to help some one.

The funeral service was held in the Congregational church, conducted by the pastor, S. J. Huffman: text, Prov. 4:18; subject, "The Character and Path of the Just." Three members of the male quartet furnished the music, assisted by Mrs. Blanche Arey, of Omaha, who sang beautifully, "Face to Face." The services at the cemetery were conducted by six members from Sheridan Post, No. 452, of Marshalltown, assisted by the bugler, sounding "Taps" at the grave.

Thus has a good man fallen, and the large attendance at the funeral was a beautiful tribute of respect. He was a kindly, inoffensive old gentleman and he will be sadly missed from his large circle of warm friends. To the only surviving member of the family, Brother Edwin Goodwin, the New Era tenders its sincere sympathy.

Card of Thanks - To the friends, members of Sheridan Post No. 452, Marshalltown, and their bugler - to each and all: We thus express our sincere and great appreciation of the sympathy, respect and kindness manifested in many ways during our recent great bereavement in the sickness and death of Father.

Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Goodwin
Hazel Goodwin

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