

## FORMER RESIDENT DIES

Mrs. Frank Keiffer died suddenly at the Community hospital at Detroit, at 5:30 Wednesday morning from heart trouble. She had been there for six days, undergoing treatment. While death came suddenly it was not unexpected as she has been desperately ill for some time. Mrs. Keiffer survived several severe attacks within the last few years. The fatal illness began in the winter and her condition became worse gradually until it was recognized that a fatal termination would come within a short time. Altho she knew the nature of her illness and its inescapable termination she maintained a high courage and the same spirit of kindness and friendly interest in others which has always characterized her.

Funeral services were held in the private apartments at the Merchants hotel this morning. Rev. B. E. Williams conducted the services which were attended by many of her friends. The remains were taken to Forest City, Mo., for interment this morning. Frank Keiffer and son, Wiley, accompanied the body.

Mrs. Keiffer, whose maiden name was Mary Belle Flinn, was born in Missouri, September 7, 1868, her age at death being 53 years, ten months, and 12 days. She is survived by a husband and one son. The family came here from Binford, N. Dak., and first conducted what is known as the White Front Cafe. Later Mr. Keiffer purchased Grand View Heights which he operated for a time. Later selling this the family moved to Minneapolis but returned to Perham when the purchase of the Merchants hotel was made.

In the years of her residence here Mrs. Keiffer made many friends. Known to most of us as "Mother Keiffer" there was more than a designation in the name. It was verily a tribute of honor; for the ever present spirit of charity, the unobtrusive friendliness, the genuine spirit of hospitality, was of the very spirit of motherhood. Innately a lady, kind, gentle and just, few will remember her in the years to come without a warming of the heart. The world is better for women like Mother Keiffer having lived in it. And, after all, that is the highest tribute.—Perham (Minn. Bulletin.