

# OBITUARY.

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On Wednesday, June 26, 1907 5:30 o'clock p. m., at St. John's Hospital, Fargo, occurred the death of Earl J. Pepper, aged 41 years, 4 months and 3 days. Death was due to blood poisoning following an operation for appendicitis.

The deceased was born at Rome, Ashtabula County, Ohio, Feb. 23, 1866. Two years after the family moved to Odell, Ills., later moving to Piper City, Ills., where he lived until the spring of 1882 when the family moved to Steele County, N. Dak., (then territory of Dakota) where he has since made his home.

On August 2nd, 1893 he was married to Miss Emma Patterson, unto which union were born three children, two boys and a girl—namely: Lloyd A., who is 12 years of age, Harry J., 9 years, and Mary A. 5 years.

He followed various pursuits at different times. In the early 80s he was engaged at farming for a number of years; served as sheriff of this county for two terms, but was engaged in the wheat business most of the time and was, at the time of his death looking after the interests of the Farmers' Elevator at Finley, besides filling the position of Cashier of the Blabon State Bank at Blabon, N. Dak.

The remains were brought from Fargo last Thursday and the funeral was held Friday afternoon at 2 o'clock from the Methodist church, Dr. Bigelow preaching the sermon. The services were in charge of Occidental lodge, No. 27, A. F. & A. M. in which lodge he has been a member for twenty years. Interment was made in Hope cemetery.