

DIED

At Hope, N. D., Aug. 11, 1890, from heart disease, Mrs. H. Augusta (Wood) Shaw, wife of Mr. J. W. Shaw, aged 48 years and 6 months.

Mrs. Shaw was born at Ludlowville, Tompkins Co., N. Y., February 6th, 1842, and was the second of six children born of Christian parents,—Amasa and Isabella Harper Wood, the former of whom still lives on the old homestead in N. Y., at the age of 82 years. In early life she became a hopeful and faithful follower of the Christ, and a member of the Presbyterian church, in which communion she had been reared. She enjoyed the privileges of the school nearest her home and constantly added to her funds of knowledge from a well established habit of home reading. She was thus always an attractive friend both from the beauty of her character and the refinement of her mind. At the age of twenty-one she entered the matrimonial relation which endured until her death broke the bond. Within the two years following her mother died leaving to her personal training her youngest sister, now Mrs. G. H. Carleton, of North Redwood, Minnesota. A few months later Mr. Shaw brought his young wife and her little sister to Michigan and two years afterward to Friendship, Wisconsin, where they made their home for the next twenty years. There her children were born,—a daughter who survived but a few months, and a son, Bernard, who inherits much in natural feature and character from his mother. For a number of years Mrs. Shaw had been a great sufferer from an Asthmatic difficulty, and the family came to the bracing atmosphere of Dakota four years ago in hopes that she might experience some relief from that affliction, and doubtless her life was somewhat prolonged by the change.

Here as at Friendship Mrs. Shaw hastened to join herself to the local church nearest in sympathy to the church of her baptism. According to the measure of her strength and sometimes beyond that she has shared actively in the life of the Congregational church, and its adjunct, the Ladies Aid Society. In her family life she was an exemplary christian, a faithful wife and mother, a patient sufferer under disease, a sympathetic neighbor, in all relations seeking to imitate her Savior, looking to Him and His word for wisdom, comfort and support. Her life and the hope which sustained her in the approach of death well illustrated the saying of Solomon from which the funeral discourse was preached, "The day of death is better than the day of ones birth." The large attendance upon the services in the Congregational church Wednesday and the number of friends who followed the remains to their burial attest the high esteem in which Mrs. Shaw was held in our community.

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