

TRIBUTE
TO THE
MEMORY OF

Mrs. Chas. J. Hoexter.

1888

NING, MAY 2, 1896.

CAPT. POSEGATE RESIGNS

HE WILL LAY DOWN THE BURDENS OF PUBLIC OFFICE.

HAS A VERY FLATTERING OFFER IN CALIFORNIA.

Tenders His Resignation as Superintendent of Streets to Mayor Vories Yesterday, the Resignation to Take Effect May 15th, Unless His Successor is Sooner Appointed—Something of Captain Posegate's History of St. Joseph.

The extraordinary spectacle of a Republican resigning an office was witnessed at the city hall yesterday afternoon at about 4 o'clock, when Capt. F. M. Posegate, superintendent of streets, handed Mayor Vories his resignation to take effect on May 15, unless his successor should be sooner appointed.

Capt. Posegate stated to a Gazette reporter that he would leave for California in the course of three weeks, to engage in business, the nature of which he did not state. He will go to the Sacramento Valley, where he has a flattering offer.

The best wishes of the people of St. Joseph will go with Captain Posegate, for he is dear to their hearts. He has been identified with every step in the progress of St. Joseph during the past thirty years. In 1882 he was elected mayor by the unprecedented majority of 1,020. He served two years and was succeeded by Maj. Hartwig. During the term of President Hayes he was appointed postmaster and served his full term of four years. In July, 1892, he was appointed inspector of government buildings, serving until March, 1893. In the spring of 1894 he was appointed superintendent of streets by Mayor Shepherd, the position which he resigned yesterday. Such is his career as a public official life.

Capt. Posegate was born in Lafayette, Ind., October 11, 1837. He lived with his parents at Liberty and Booneville, Mo. He learned the printer's trade at Des Moines, and in 1850 came to St. Joseph. During the succeeding ten years he established the first job printing office here, and also The Daily and Weekly West newspaper, which he sold in August, 1860, and removed to Memphis, Tenn., taking a position on The Eagle and Enquirer, a Bell and Everett newspaper, but because of his outspoken Union sentiments was compelled to soon leave that city. He went to Highland county, Ohio, where he enlisted in Company A, Forty-eighth Ohio infantry, under President Lincoln's first call for three-year troops. He was wounded at Shiloh, while serving as lieutenant, and was promoted to the captaincy for bravery. He was present at the capture of Vicksburg, and was compelled to resign shortly afterwards on account of failing eye-sight. When his health permitted he assisted in the organization of the One Hundred and Seventy-fifth Ohio infantry and served as regimental quartermaster until the close of the war. In 1867 he returned to St. Joseph and became one of the proprietors of The Herald. Two years later he established the St. Joseph Steam Printing Co., and was the guiding spirit of that institution, through prosperity and adversity, until the failure several years ago. He was the Republican nominee for congress to fill the unexpired term of Col. Burnes, but was defeated by Col. R. P. C. Wilson.

Capt. Posegate's departure from St. Joseph will be universally regretted and the best wishes of the people will go with him to his new field.

Financially not a success.

In the Hands of a Trustee.

ST. JOSEPH, Mo., Feb. 26.—The business of the Posegate Printing and Lithographing company of this city passed into the hands of Michael Lawler, trustee. The concern is one of the oldest printing houses in the west. Liabilities, \$17,000; assets, \$80,000. 1892

A Present from
"Capt. F. M. Posegate,"
President of the St. Joseph "Steam
Printing Company"
November 24/83.
C. F. M.

DIED.

It is with heavy heart that we are compelled to announce to you that our most beloved wife and sister

SYLVIA C. KÆSTER,

gently breathed her last at one o'clock this morning, after a long and lingering sickness, aged 35 years, 1 month and 20 days.

The funeral will take place from residence on April 4th, 1883, at 2 o'clock p. m.

CHAS. F. KÆSTER,

Mr. and Mrs. JOHN A. BROUGHTEN.

GEORGE W. BROUGHTEN.

Mr. and Mrs. FRANK SCHMIDT.

MARYSVILLE, APRIL 3, 1883

*We are grieved to make the announcement
of the death of*

CHARLES F. KOESTER,

*which occurred at his home in this city on Friday,
August 15, 1902, at 1:12 a. m., after an illness of
but a few hours duration.*

*Mr. Koester was born in Hesse-Cassel, Germany,
January 27, 1841, and came to America in 1850,
locating in Marysville, in the summer of 1859.
He was closely identified with the early history of
this county. In 1870 he engaged in the banking
business in this city and was president of the Ex-
change Bank of Schmidt & Koester at the time of
his death. His life in this city has been devoted
to the service of his fellow man. His generosity
and kindness throughout life made friends for
him always. "By their fruits ye shall know
them."*

*The funeral services will take place at the resi-
dence Sunday, August 17, 1902, at 2:30 p. m.,
conducted by Corinthian Commandery No. 40,
Knights Templars.*

THE BEREAVED FAMILY.

—The intelligence was received here yesterday that Mrs. Bakewell, wife of Rev. John Bakewill, former rector of Trinity church in this city, died on the 30th inst., at Santa Barbara, California, whither she she went a year ago in search of health. The death of Mrs. Bakewell takes from her husband the joy of her life, and fills to the brim the cup of affliction of her father, the venerable Bishop Vail, who is now called on after a succession of domestic sorrows, to part with the last of his children. Mrs. Bakewill was married in this city and had many friends here and at Topeka.

Memorial Services for Dr. Runcie.

Next Saturday, the 12th of May, being the anniversary of Dr. Runcie's entrance into Paradise there will be held a memorial service in Christ church at 4:30 o'clock in the afternoon. All who loved him are cordially invited to attend.

1894

-DIED- At her home in Marysville
Tuesday morning Dec. 19th. Mrs. C. A.
Bates, aged 57 years. Her maiden name
was Harriet Roberts. She was born
in Wisconsin Aug. 5, 1836, was married
to Mr. C. A. Bates Dec. 25, 1855, at her
parents home, near Elizabeth Illinois.
Mrs. Bates has lived in Marysville for
23 years—she was converted to the
Christian faith 29 years ago at Laran-
nah Mo. and has ever lived a consis-
tent christian life, one devoted to her
family. She died with a bright hope
for the future, trusting in the saving
power of Jesus. The funeral services
were held at her home, and conducted
by Rev. Scott, assisted by Rev. Howell
and Rev. Farrant.

Weep not for me children, my soul's full of joy,
I'm safely at home in the heavenly fold,
A glittering crown is now placed on my brow,
In my hand, made immortal, a harp of pure gold.

I never have sorrow or suffering here.
I never feel burdened with trouble or care;
I never have cause to shed one bitter tear,
For heaven's pure joys in the fullness I share.

I never grow weary: I never feel faint,
I'm never oppressed with anxiety here.
The sorrowful tale of a mortal's complaint
In my heavenly home I shall never more hear.

While dwelling on earth, as I went to and fro,
I languished and suffered by night and by day.
I toiled, wept and prayed, my dear children, you
know,
Until death sweetly called to my soul, core
away.

How long and how dreary all nature appears
To you on the earth when you know I am gone.
My heart stricken ones, oh dry up your tears,
Remember your sorrows will shortly be done.

Unto you in whose charge my youngest is given
Oh, train him for Jesus, for glory and joy.
With loving words tell him his mother's in heaven
And hopes when life's ended to meet her dear
boy.

Be ready, be faithful. Ere long you shall hear
The voice gently calling in tenderness come.
Then cheerfully, gladly, I'll welcome you here,
I'm watching for you, my dear children, come
home.

1898

HON. CHAS. F. KOESTER

One of the Most Prominent Citizens of Marshall County Passes Away Friday Morning.

Hon. Chas. F. Koester, whose sudden and serious illness was announced in last week's Republican, died Friday, Aug. 15, at 1:12 a. m. As stated last week, he was stricken with paralysis early Thursday morning. He retained consciousness until about 8:30, being able with difficulty to converse with his children and relatives. At that hour he sank into a comatose condition which continued to the end. Everything that medical attention could do was done to save him, but death was the stronger, and conquered in the brief struggle.

Chas. F. Koester was born in Hesse-Cassel, Germany, January 27, 1841, and came to America in 1850. In 1859 he removed from Atchison, where as an eighteen year old boy he had been engaged in the restaurant and confectionery business, to Marysville. He has resided here continuously since that date. When he settled here, Marysville was a hamlet of perhaps a score of houses, and was the extreme prominent frontier town of northern Kansas. When hardly twenty-one he was chosen register of deeds of Marshall county, which position he held for eight years, and was then elected county treasurer which position he held for two terms. He was also one of the three commissioners to revise the tax laws of the state, and was one of the state commissioners to the Centennial exposition at Philadelphia in 1876. In 1882 he was made mayor of this city, being reelected for several terms. He has also been city treasurer and held other responsible and important positions.

Mr. Koester erected the first three-

story building, the Masonic hall, in Marysville, as well as many other of the substantial and valuable business buildings along Broadway. His residence grounds, are perhaps, the finest laid out and most elaborately beautified private grounds in the state.

Mr. Koester was associated in business from the beginning of his career in this city, with his brother-in-law, Frank Schmidt. They first did an extensive merchandising business and in 1870, established the Exchange bank of Schmidt & Koester, which always has been and is today, one of the solid and flourishing financial institutions of the state.

In 1876 he was united in marriage with Miss Sylvia Broughten, sister of Hon. John A. Broughten of this city. Of this union three children were born, the Misses Tinnie and Jennie and Mr. Chas. J. D. Koester who are left to mourn the loss of their father. Mrs. Koester died when the children were all quite young, and since that time Mr. Koester has been both father and mother to his family.

Mr. Koester was a member of the several Masonic fraternities, the I. O. O. F. and A. O. U. W. lodges.

The funeral services were conducted Sunday afternoon by Corinthian commandery No. 40, K. T., and the A. F. & A. M., I. O. O. F. and A. O. U. W., also turned out as escort. He was buried in the family lot in the beautiful cemetery which he helped to establish.

Mr. Koester was successful financially far beyond the ordinary man, and amassed a large fortune by careful, conservative business methods. He was clean in private and public life, and a useful, influential and respected citizen. His loss is a severe blow not only to his family, but to Marysville and Marshall county and his death will be sincerely mourned.



Nothing but the address to be on this side.



Mr Char L Kaefer
Marysville
Marshall Co Kansas

Dear Sir,

Topeka Kas Jan 29. 87

Your letter 21th I rec^d - It followed me to
Kansas - I have returned it to my home
with directions to send you that tax receipt -

If they have any trouble in finding it, I
will attend to it the moment I return
which will be in a week to 10 days

With kind regards & wishing you
a prosperous year

I am Truly C. W. Polman

OBITUARY.

Died at his home in this city, Tuesday, November 30th, 1897, at 10.15 p.m., Charles Daniel Schmidt.

There has been no death in our city for many years the announcement of which has caused such universal sorrow and regret. While he had been sick for a long time, yet his friends had no thought that the end was so near. He was taken sick in October 1896, his trouble being an affection of the back and spine, and for over a year he was unable to walk. During all this long period of sickness he suffered greatly, but bore it patiently and cheerfully, his chief desire being to give his friends as little trouble on his account, as possible. He cherished the hope to the very last of being able to overcome the disease, but it had taken such a strong hold on his system that all the skill at command and all the care and attention that love and affection could give, were powerless to stop it.

Charles D. Schmidt was one of the best known young men in Marshall county. Born and reared in this city, his whole life was familiar to us all. After completing the course of study in our high school, he entered the store of John Tracy & Co. as clerk, where he remained for a year or more, and at the age of 17 he entered his father's bank as office boy. He was a business man from his boyhood. Thorough, competent and accurate, he was rapidly promoted, and at the time of his death was one of the directors and cashier of the Exchange bank of Schmidt & Koester of this place. Pleasing in his manner, courteous and kind, he won and retained the confidence and friendship of all who knew him. He was the same Charlie Schmidt every day of his life, and treated every one, whether rich or poor, alike. Conscientious in all his dealings, a desire to be honorable and right in everything he did, he will ever be remembered by the people of this community

with the deepest affection, and his place will be hard to fill. Moral and upright in his daily life, following the precepts of the Golden Rule, he has left us an example of a life well spent. Mr. Schmidt was a prominent Mason, having filled the highest offices in the several branches of that order and had represented them in the Grand bodies of the state. At the time he was taken sick he was Eminent Commander of Cornithian Commandery Knight Templars of this city. He was also a member of the Knights of Pythias.

Blessed with a happy and luxuriant home, surrounded by all the joys and comforts of life, he had much to live for. Being of a quiet and retiring disposition, he sought and found his greatest pleasure in the society of his parents, and brothers and sisters. And it was within that home, surrounded by his loved ones, that he calmly and peacefully entered upon that sleep which knows no awakening, and his spirit took its flight to that better Home where sorrow and suffering are never known.

He was born at Marysville, Kansas May 26, 1864, and at the time of his death was 33 years, 6 months and 4 days old.

He leaves surviving him his father Hon. Frank Schmidt, his mother, two sisters and five brothers.

The funeral will be from his late residence, Sunday afternoon, Dec. 5th, at 2 o'clock under the auspices of the Knights Templar.

Father

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Bro. Frank Schmidt.

At a regular meeting of Marysville Lodge, No. 90, A. F. & A. M., the following regarding the death of Bro. Frank Schmidt was adopted:

WHEREAS, In the wisdom of an All-wise Providence we are called upon to mourn the death of our brother and friend, Frank Schmidt, it is well that we leave upon our records some memento of our regard for him as a man and a Mason, and our sympathy for those who are sorely afflicted by his death.

Our brother had been a Mason for many years, and in life and character was much that we, as Masons, would do well to imitate. A man of stalwart and rugged character, whose friendship was as true and lasting as life itself. Becoming a citizen of our community and the hand of man had subdued the wilderness, he battled many long years with the elements. During all these years Frank Schmidt stood—a landmark among his associates—as a man of sterling integrity and force of character, one in whom, friend and foe alike, had the most implicit confidence.

We, in common with all the people of this great county, are indebted to him for much of the material prosperity we now enjoy, and it is with pride that we point to our deceased brother's life and character and say "he was a Mason."

We have tenderly borne his remains to the silent city of the dead, but we are buoyed up with the knowledge that the heritage he has left shall bloom and ripen in an endless eternity.

To his bereaved family let us breathe words of sympathy, and commend them for comfort to that God before whom we, as Masons, most humbly bow.

JAS. MONTGOMERY,

WM. LONERGAN,

F. G. POWELL, Com.

*both
Consigned
to the
Mother
Earth
on a
Sunday.*

The funeral services of Charles D. Schmidt was held at the residence of his parents, at 2 o'clock last Sabbath afternoon. The day was quite emblematic of the young man's life and character—beautiful and calm. The services, conducted by the Comandery, was very impressive and beautiful. The floral offering was the grandest we have seen. The family and friends had provided abundance of flowers besides each secret society that the deceased had belonged to during his life time gave many beautiful designs until the home, which was in the deepest mourning, was a perfect garden of flowers. The casket was a most expensive and appropriate one, placed in a self-sealing vault of iron. A large body of Masons, Eastern Star, and Knights of Pythias members marched in uniforms from their lodge room to the house, the Commandery in the lead, the Blue lode next, these followed by the Eastern Star and then the Knights of Pythias. A good delegation of Masons from Hanover, Oketo and Beattie were present in the following persons: Oketo—R. B. Moore, C. J. Chapman, Aug. Wuester, Harry Chapman, Z. H. Moore, E. Bently, A. H. Bruebaker. Hanover—Aug. Jaedike, Sr., Aug. Jaedike Jr., D. Spence Sr., H. N. Mueller, John Mesing, John Koenig. Beattie—Joe Baer, L. H. Helvering, John McCoy and M. Hawk. Truly, in honor and credit they laid Brother Charles D. Schmidt in his last resting place, firmly believing that right living on this plain has won for him a better place in the world beyond.

*We are grieved to make the sad announcement to
you of the death of*

CHARLES DANIEL SCHMIDT,

which occurred at his home in this city, on Tuesday, November 30th, 1897, 10:15 o'clock P. M., after an illness of fourteen months patiently endured.

He was born in Marysville, Kansas, May 26th, 1864, and was associated in business with the Exchange Bank for the past 16 years, and evinced exceptional ability and thoroughness. Blessed with a generous and kindly disposition, he won and retained the regard of all his associates

The Funeral will take place Friday, December 3rd, 1897, at 2 o'clock P. M.

FRANK SCHMIDT and Family.

CHAS. F. KOESTER, and Family.



Koester William Helvering Dead.

Just at the opening of the Christmas season, when all should be joy and happiness one Marysville home has been saddened by the hand of Death.

Koester William Helvering, the three months old son of Mr. and Mrs. G. T. Helvering, died at the family home Friday afternoon at 5:30 o'clock. The cause of his death was acute anemia. The little one since birth had been frail and despite the fact that more than usual care was given him he gradually declined and passed away at the hour stated above.

The funeral was held from the home Sunday morning at 9:00 o'clock, the services being conducted by Rev. McArthur and interment was made in the Marysville cemetery.

It is hard, indeed, for parents to be bereft of their loved ones of whatever age but the blow is more keenly felt when the first born while yet in its infancy is removed from the family circle, recalled to the Home Above by the Creator who blessed the home with its presence. Only those parents who have suffered like bereavement can fully know the sorrow of that home but to all is offered as solace in such bereavement the scriptural injunctions of Our Lord: "Suffer little children, and forbid them not to come unto me; for of such is the Kingdom of Heaven." Matt. 19:14, "And ye now therefore have sorrow: but I will see you again, and your heart shall rejoice, and your joy no man taketh from you."—John 16:22.

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Mr. and Mrs. Charles Koester, jr., Kansas City, Mo., are the parents of a daughter, Julia Willis, born Friday. She is the grand-daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C. J. Koester, Marysville.

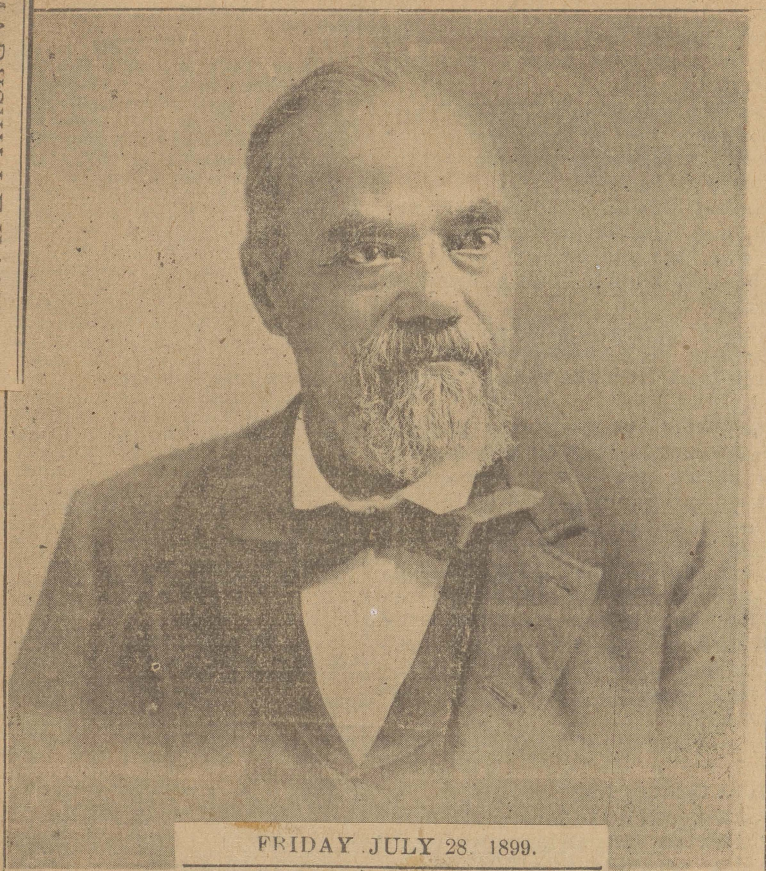
25-40
KOESTER—Julia Wills Koester, 1-month-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charles W. Koester, 1316 East Eighty-second terrace, died here yesterday.

KOESTER—Graveside services for Julia Wills Koester of 1316 East 82nd St. Terr. will be at Mt. Moriah cemetery this Thursday morning at 10 o'clock.

STINE AND McCLURE.

WE.

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FRIDAY JULY 28. 1899.

HON. FRANK SCHMIDT.

DIED,

At San Diego, California, Thursday, July 20, 1899, at 8 o'clock a. m., HON. FRANK SCHMIDT.

This sad news of the death of our townsman reached his home two hours after his demise.

Saturday, July 15th, 1899, Mr. Schmidt started for Marysville in company with a friend, Mr. Loring, on his way to Kansas City. Upon reaching Ash Fork, Arizona, the heat of the desert being very oppressive, and Mr. Schmidt feeling unwell, he told his friend that he had concluded to stop over and rest for a day before proceeding further. Feeling weaker the following day he concluded to return to San Diego, arriving Tuesday noon. His friend Mr. Thos. D. Kneale, with others, met and cared for him at his rooms. After supper he complained of dizziness and retired, gradually becoming unconscious—from which condition he never rallied.

His remains will arrive this (Friday) evening, accompanied by two of his sons. The funeral will be from the family residence on Sunday, July 30th, 1899, at 2 o'clock p. m., under the auspices of Corinthion Commandery No. 40, Knights Templar.

IN MEMORIAM.

MR. FRANK SCHMIDT

was born at Bishoffingen, in the Grand Duchy of Baden, April 10th, 1831. His father was engaged in the mercantile business, and was the Burgomaster of his native town for many years. Of the family but one daughter, a widow, now survives.

Mr. Schmidt received a liberal education, and, after attending the college at Heidelberg, he conceived the idea of going to America, much against the wishes of his parents, he being their only son. He was 22 years of age when he arrived at Keokuk, Iowa, Aug. 20th, 1853. After six months' service in the employ of Kilbourne & Carey, dealers in queensware, he had mastered the English language and American busi-

ness for \$700. He also let a contract for a frame store building 22-50 feet. All the lumber and plastering material for that building was hauled from St. Joseph at a cost of 3c. per pound.

Aug. 7th, 1860, Mr. Schmidt, with family, located here and started in the general merchandising business, soon building up a thriving trade. In March 1870 he opened the Exchange Bank, now the leading financial institution of the county as well as the oldest. In 1882 he erected the handsome and substantial Exchange Bank block.

Mr. Schmidt early became interested in matters concerning the welfare of Marysville and Marshall county. He always responded liberally, both in time and money, to any scheme for solid development, and the people respected and honored him. He held various offices of trust and served the county as commissioner for four years, from 1864 to 1867 inclusive. He also interested himself in the organization of the first agricultural association of Marshall county, which received its charter in 1872. The following year, besides liberally subscribing toward the erection of the Memorial Presbyterian church, Mr. Schmidt was one of four citizens who made up a purse of \$1500 to complete said church.

As state senator he served from 1873 to 1876; was member of the Marysville city council in 1873 and 1874, and, while a member of the school board in 1881 he was instrumental in introducing as a branch of learning the study of German in the public schools.

Mr. Schmidt lived a retired life during his later years, but always retained a keen interest in his home, Marysville, and Marshall county. With his property interests here he never parted, and to the end found pleasure in noting the improvements in a county now celebrated for its comfortable homes which he once knew as a bare, bleak stretch of uninhabited prairie.

His life was that of a fortunate mortal, for he had all that the world can give to any one.

ness methods sufficiently to engage in the commission and fruit shipping business on his own account.

Feb. 26th, 1854, he received his first naturalization papers, and the same year he became a member of Hardin Lodge, No. 29, A. F. & A. M., of Keokuk, Iowa.

He was married May 1st, 1856, to Miss Jane A. Koester, only sister of Hon. Chas. F. Koester of the Exchange Bank. His widow and seven children survive him. Four children died in infancy. His daughter, Mrs. E. R. Fulton, and his son Charles D., preceded him a few years ago to the great beyond of silent waiting.

Aug. 5th, 1858, he removed to St. Joseph, Mo., where he engaged in business at the corner of Edmond and 3d streets, and in that city became a charter member of Humboldt Lodge No. 130 I. O. O. F.

In 1859 the St. Joseph, Marysville & Denver City railroad, then in progress of construction, offered inducements for business and homes in the new territory west of St. Joseph, and in June of that year, in company with the late George Goelitz and Dr. Karst, he arrived in Marysville. Being pleased with the country and people they all made real estate investments. Mr. Schmidt purchased the present site of the Exchange Bank for \$200 and the Prentiss quarter section south of town

Mr. Schmidt was a man far above the average in intelligence and business ability. He was a man of unbounded energy and perseverance in all his undertakings. Whether in public or private business he was scrupulously honest. As a county commissioner he had much to do with placing Marshall county on the highway to prosperity and financial soundness. As a state senator he had great influence on state affairs and during his term of office and for years afterwards his good judgment was sought by the leaders in state affairs. As a citizen of Marysville he had much to do in the management of city affairs and to him and his solid financial ideas are due much of the early, and still maintained, reputation of Marysville as one of the best and most solid business cities of the state. As a private citizen he was always progressive, active and successful. As a friend and neighbor he was always kind, generous and true as steel. As a pioneer he suffered his full share of the hardships and privations connected with the opening and development of a new country but in later years the rewards of his faithful toil and good judgment gave him all the comforts and luxuries that a man could desire. The world is better for his having lived. What better epitaph could mortal want.

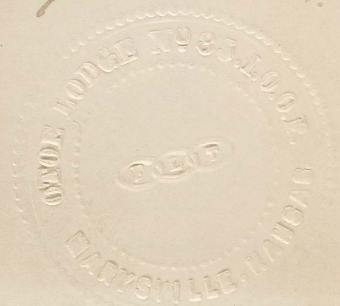
Otce Lodge, No. 85, I. O. O. F.

Marysville, Kan., May 9, 1883.

To Brother Elv. F. Koester!

I have the pleasure to announce to you, that at our meeting held by Otce Lodge No. 85, I. O. O. F. a vote of thanks was tendered to you, for the present of the sum of Twenty Dollars donating to our Lodge which was duly voted to you as Funeral Benefactor of the sad death of Mrs. Sylvia C. Koester -

Emil G. Draheim
Secretary.



TRIBUTE TO THE MEMORY
OF
MRS. CHAS. F. KOESTER.

EXTRACTS

FROM

LETTERS RECEIVED BY THE HUSBAND,

AND PRINTED

FOR THE MEMBERS OF THE FAMILY AND PERSONAL FRIENDS
OF THE DECEASED,

TRUSTING THAT THE PUBLISHING OF THE SAME WILL HELP TO MOULD
AND INSPIRE OUR THOUGHTS TO THE HIGHEST AND NOBLEST
AIMS OF LIFE AND USEFULNESS.

AUGUST 3, 1883.

"He that followeth after righteousness and mercy, findeth life, righteousness and honor."

Died.

At the family residence in this city Wednesday, June 17, 1891, Jennie, wife of E. R. Fulton.

Mrs. Fulton was the eldest daughter of Hon. Frank Schmidt. She was born in this city December 26, 1861, and this has always been her home. She was educated in the Marysville schools and at Monroe Institute in Atchison. She was married May 20, 1885. She became the mother of three children, two that still live and one that has gone unto Him who said: "Suffer little children to come unto me."

She was a member of the Presbyterian church and lived a christian life. She loved her home and loved her children with more than ordinary devotion and gave to them in the fullest measure a mother's affection and care.

The untimely death of such a mother centers the sympathy of the city in that afflicted household, and centers there the prayer of every christian heart that the Father of Mercies may help the bereaved to bear their loss.

The funeral services will be held at the residence today at 2 o'clock p. m.

DIED,

Mrs. JENNIE A. FULTON, at her home in this city, June 17, 1891, at 11:30 p. m., after an illness of five days, leaving a devoted husband, and two children, also father, mother, brothers and sisters, other relatives and a large circle of friends to mourn her untimely death.

Mrs. Fulton, nee Schmidt, the eldest daughter of Hon. Frank Schmidt, was born in Marysville, Kansas, December 26, 1860, and was educated under the fostering care of a devoted mother to a rare degree of excellence and domestic accomplishments; married to Edgar R. Fulton, a gentleman well known as the popular cashier of the First National Bank, on May 20, 1885.

The funeral will take place from the family residence to-morrow, June 19, 1891, at 2 o'clock p. m.

DIED

In this city on the 17th day of June 1891, at 11 o'clock p. m., Mrs. Jennie A. Fulton. Deceased was the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Schmidt, and was born here in Marysville on the 26th day of December 1860. She was married to E. R. Fulton May 20th, 1885. Three children were born to them, one of which (the oldest) was awaiting his mother beyond the dark valley. She had grown up from infancy among our people, and was possessed of that happy temperament which enderred her to all with whom she came in contact. As a child and a woman, her life has been a model of true childhood and womanhood. To her bereaved husband and relatives, the DEMOCRAT extends its sincere sympathy. The funeral will be from the residence Friday, June 19th at 2 o'clock p. m.

"Edgar"
died Aug 25/90.

MRS. SYLVIA C. KOESTER

DIED AT HER HOME ON TUESDAY MORNING, APRIL 3,
1883, OF CONSUMPTION.

SYLVIA C. KOESTER, *nee* Broughton, was born near Olney, Richland County, Illinois, on the 14th day of February, A. D. 1848, and was at the time of her death in her 35th year. Her parents were James E. Broughton, of Maryland, and Eliza Webster, born at Warsaw, Genesee County, New York, in 1819. They were married February 2, 1842, in Illinois, and were pioneer farmer settlers at the place of her birth. Her father died May 9, 1858, and her mother died fifteen months prior thereto, each in their 37th year.

At the time of their death they left four children: The deceased, then 9 years old; and her brother, John A., the oldest; and George W.; and Lucy M. Williams, younger than the deceased, who died here April 24, 1879.

DIED.

It is with heavy heart that we are compelled to announce to you that our most beloved wife and sister

SYLVIA C. KÆSTER,

gently breathed her last at one o'clock this morning, after a long and lingering sickness, aged 35 years, 1 month and 20 days.

The funeral will take place from residence on April 4th, 1883, at 2 o'clock p. m.

CHAS. F. KÆSTER,

Mr. and Mrs. JOHN A. BROUGHTEN.

GEORGE W. BROUGHTEN.

Mr. and Mrs. FRANK SCHMIDT.

MARYSVILLE, APRIL 3, 1883

Gestorben.

Mit betrübtem Herzen machen wir ihnen hierdurch die Anzeige, daß meine inniggeliebte Frau, unsere Schwester und Schwägerin

Sylvia C. Köster,

geborene Broughten,

heute morgen um 1 Uhr nach schwerer Krankheit durch einen sanften Tod von uns genommen wurde, im Alter von 35 Jahre, 1 Monat und 20 Tage.

Die Beerdigung wird am 4. April, 1883, um 2 Uhr Nachm. vom Trauerhause aus stattfinden.

**Chas. F. Köster,
John A. Broughten u. Frau,
George W. Broughten,
Frank Schmidt u. Frau.**

Marion, Kan., den 3ten April, 1883.

After the death of the parents, "the children were separated." Sylvia found a home with her aunt, Mrs. Alta Elliott, at Olney, Illinois, until she reached her 18th year. After that time she made her home for some three years with her aunt, Mrs. O. B. Morehouse, attending school and completing her studies, preparatory to teaching school, when, in 1871, her brother, John A. Broughton, who had located at Marysville, Kansas, in the practice of law, provided for his two sisters a home, they securing positions as teachers in the public school and near town, until Sylvia C. was married to Charles F. Koester, July 25, 1876. She leaves her husband with three little children, at the ages of two, four and six years old, to grieve for her loss.

TRIBUTE TO THE MEMORY
OF
MRS. CHAS. F. KOESTER.

PROCLAMATION OF THE CITY COUNCIL.

OFFICE OF CITY COUNCIL,
MARYSVILLE, KANSAS, April 4, 1883. }

At a called meeting of the City Council, held at the Council Rooms as above, the following preamble and resolution were unanimously adopted:

WHEREAS, The Allwise Providence has taken from our midst MRS. SYLVIA C. KOESTER, wife of our citizen, Chas. F. Koester; and,

Funeral Notice.

D I E D.

On Monday morning, December 7th, 1874, Mrs. LUDOWINE KOESTER, aged 68 years. The funeral ceremony will take place at the residence of her son, Charles F. Koester, on Tuesday afternoon, December 8th, at 2 o'clock P. M.

The friends of the family are invited to attend.

WHEREAS, The funeral is to be held from the residence this afternoon at two o'clock; it is, therefore,

Resolved, That all business houses of the city be closed from one until three o'clock this afternoon in respect for the deceased and the family of our Honorable Mayor.

I hereby certify that the above is a true copy from the journal of the Council in my office.

JAMES S. MAGILL,
City Clerk.

FROM PROF. R. A. WILLIAMS,

For Many Years Principal of the Public School at Marysville, Kansas.

UTICA, N. Y., April 10, 1883.*Mr. Chas. F. Koester and Relatives:*

ESTEEMED FRIENDS—With many regrets Mrs. Williams and myself received the news of the decease of Mrs. Koester. Our remembrance of her is that of a most valued friend. Words, we feel, cannot fully convey to you the esteem with which we shall regard the memory and and our sympathy with you in your deep bereavement. It can well be said that the world is the better for her having lived in it. Her good influence is not lost, but continues, and will continue its beneficent work through time. This is one of the roses which can be plucked from the thorn of bereavement, an unblemished life, filled with good works, in imitation of the great Master and in trustful reliance on Him. Let us alike strive so to live that at the close of this earthly pilgrimage we also may, like the departed wife and sister, be welcomed into habitations of eternal joy by a reconciled and loving Savior.

Ever your friends,

ROBERT A. & LUCIE S. WILLIAMS.

UTICA, N. Y., May 31, 1883.

Chas. F. Koester, Esq.:

RESPECTED FRIEND—Your much prized letter of the 17th inst. came duly to hand. I can to some extent appreciate the deep feeling of loneliness which has come to your heart and hearth, and it undoubtedly is the more intensified as the children inquire for their mother. She has left for them a priceless heritage. The perfume of a meek and quiet spirit is more valuable than all earthly riches. We sometimes do not prize them quite at their true worth. Time and separation are sometimes required, like the polishing of the lapidary, to develop their hidden splendors. There is one satisfaction, my dear friend; the Savior said: "Mary, thy brother *shall* rise again." He speaks also to you and to all of us, saying that our precious departed ones *shall* rise again. Then draw consolation from the thought in this, your deep affliction, that there is a joyful reunion for you. A sainted wife is waiting and watching for you and the dear children. Oh, how precious the ones she left behind were to her. She clung to them and to life with all its pure springs of happiness with unutterable fondness; but the golden bowl was broken, and her pure spirit has ascended to her Father and your Father. A few short fleeting years, and you and your little ones, and we

all, will be gathered to that dim unknown strand where the watchers are waiting for us. Should not the wealth and honors of this life sink into deep insignificance before the surpassing splendors of that royal land which is veiled from mortal eyes, whose most vivid imagination cannot divine its "far more exceeding and eternal weight of glory." I would speak to you in this trying hour with brotherly sympathy, and your kind letter, breathing forth the anguish of a wounded heart, has certainly stirred my heart strings to a deeper tenderness. Mrs. Williams joins with me in grateful acknowledgment of your valued letter, and with renewed assurances of our esteem, and wishing to be kindly remembered to the little folks, whom we love for their mother's memory, and also with kind regards for Mr. and Mrs. Broughton,

We remain yours most sincerely,

MR. & MRS. R. A. WILLIAMS.

SENECA, KANSAS, April 7, 1883.

Chas. F. Koester, Esq.:

MY DEAR SIR—I cannot fittingly express the feeling of profound sympathy I felt for you and yours when I received the sad intelligence of the death of your wife. I wish I might say something that would bring but a single ray of comfort to what I know full well is a lonely home. I simply wish to add this my testimonial to the sorrow that all your many friends feel. My wife, who heard me speak often of our meeting on your way to St. Joseph and return, joins with me in sending these words of sympathy.

Mrs. Koester, whom I knew many years ago, was an estimable wife and mother, and it is with deep sorrow to know she was called from her loved ones so soon.

Sincerely your friends,

MR. & MRS. C. C. K. SCOVILLE.

Diary 1896.
April 23rd


ATCHISON INSTITUTE,
ATCHISON, KANSAS, April 4, 1883. }

Dear Friends:

The sad announcement of the death of your good wife and sister reached me this evening. Had I received it in time, I should like to have shown my love and respect by being present when you "laid her away." I had met her only a few times, but I ranked her among my most valued friends: how much more must those who were so fortunate as to be related to her, have appreciated the beauty of her character. Her face had in it the "beauty of holiness" which comes from noble living. One's friends can do nothing; but be assured, dear friends, the hearts of all who knew her go out to you in sympathy in this your dark hour. I would not venture to offer consolation—God and time only can do that; but as I sit thinking of her gentle face, I say to myself, Why do you grieve? If your loved one had gone to Europe to the court of a great king, would you mourn her as lost? She has gone into the presence of the King of Heaven; she has taken up the broken links of this life; she has been gathered to her mother's breast,—folded in her father's arms; the Savior has assured her that her babies

will be his care ; and I wonder why we grieve that she
has been promoted so early in life.

"Somewhere in worlds we dream of,
Beyond the grave's green sod,
The soul of her we loved so
Stands face to face with God.

As birds that dread the winter
Fly southward to the sun,
Her soul sought endless summer,
And deathless youth is won.

For her heaven's gates have opened
To peace that will never end ;
She gains all things she longed for,
And we have lost a friend."

With love to all, I am, in sympathy,

Very Sincerely Yours,

MRS. H. E. MONROE.

ST. JOSEPH, MO., April 6, 1883.

Charles F. Koester:

MY DEAR SIR—The announcement of the death of Mrs. Koester is received. I am not forgetful of the fact that letters of condolence are poverty indeed as a means of alleviating the grief that now forms a part of your very being; but it is all that one friend can do for another in such a case, and you will allow me to extend to you my heartfelt sympathy. I can appreciate your sorrow as one who has escaped a bereavement of this kind cannot do.

With the keenest feeling of sorrow for you and the little children, I remain

Your Friend,

J. M. STREET.

TOOK HIS OWN LIFE

James M. Street Commits Suicide at Neosho

FORMER ST. JOSEPH CITIZEN

The Tragedy Occurred in Newton County, Mo., Where He Located Two Years Ago.

Died Dec 8/96

James M. Street, a former resident of St. Joseph and one of the city's prominent men at one time, committed suicide at his home near Neosho, Mo., yesterday afternoon.

The information of the tragedy came to St. Joseph last night by telegraph to Emery J. Street, who is a son of the deceased.

A shotgun was used by Mr. Street in committing the tragedy. He was alone in his dwelling, his wife having gone to a neighbor's to attend a sick child. On her return she found her husband lying across the lounge with the upper portion of his head blown away.

The unfortunate man evidently attached a small stick to the trigger of his shotgun and, holding the muzzle of the weapon to his forehead, had discharged it with his foot. No cause is known for the deed, as he seemed in good spirits and health.

Charles Street, another son of the deceased who lives in St. Joseph, left last night for Neosho. Emery Street received a brief message from his brother at 12:30 o'clock p. m. today to the effect that the body would arrive here on the Chicago Great Western northbound train tonight.

The funeral services will be conducted at Unity Church tomorrow afternoon at 2:30 o'clock. Rev. Dr. Roberts of Kansas City will conduct the services.

The announcement that James M. Street had taken his own life was received with great surprise in St. Joseph. The dead man was a resident of this city for many years and was well known. He left this city two years ago and located on a farm in Newton County, near Neosho. Prior to that time he had been actively engaged in business here.

Mr. Street was born in Toledo, Ohio, sixty years ago last May. He came to St. Joseph June 27, 1867, and lived here continuously until the fall of 1894, when he moved to Newton County.

When Mr. Street first located in St. Joseph he was the general Northwest Missouri agent of the St. Louis Mutual Life Insurance Company, an institution that conducted a large business. He remained in that position until the failure of the company in 1878. A year later he organized the National Temperance Relief Union of St. Joseph and served as its president and general manager until the organization went out of existence two years ago.

Throughout his career in St. Joseph, until failure overtook the insurance organization of which he was the head, Mr. Street was a prominent factor in public and commercial affairs. In 1875 he was elected a member of the common council and served as president of that body. For many years he was

ACTIVE IN ALL EFFORTS.

to induce the investment of capital in St. Joseph, and was largely instrumental in securing several of the railroads now centering here, notably the Chicago, Rock Island & Pacific lines.

The deceased was the originator of

several local institutions of commercial importance. During his prosperous days in St. Joseph he made a great deal of money, yet he never amassed great wealth. When the waterworks question was before the people, back in the '70s, he was one of the most prominent advocates of a system of water supply. Mr. Street devoted some money and labor to a plan he had for giving the city waterworks. Work was started on the river bank at the foot of Messanie street, near where the old Steele & Walker building now stands. The project was abandoned when another proposition was made to provide the desired improvement. Mr. Street also founded the St. Joseph & Kansas Loan and Building Association, which was capitalized for a million dollars.

For several years after the establishment of the National Temperance Relief Union it flourished and made money. However, it eventually proved to be a losing institution and the greater part of its founder's savings were swept away. The loss fell more heavily upon Mr. Street than on any others, and the policy-holders were protected at the sacrifice of his savings.

John A. Read of this city probably knew the deceased as well as any other man in St. Joseph. Mr. Read was for a long time employed as secretary to Mr. Street, and he testifies that a more wide-awake business man never made this city his home. "He was a money-maker," said Mr. Read to a Daily News reporter today, "but he was too liberal and generous to accumulate a great fortune. Many times I have known him to loan money in sums from \$50 to \$200 to personal friends without any security, not even their own note. He was true to his friends in every particular."

The deceased leaves a large family. He was twice married. The first marriage took place at his old home in the East, and his first wife died in St. Joseph in 1877. Several years later he married Miss Susan Wood, a sister of Horace Wood, formerly of this city, but now of St. Louis. His wife survives him. The children are: Emery J. Street, broker; Charles M. Street of the law firm of Reed, James & Street; Ewing M. Street, chief clerk to the general superintendent of the C., M. & St. P. railroad with headquarters in Chicago; Eugene F. Street, of Vinita, Indian Territory, and Annie Street, an unmarried daughter who lives in this city with her brother, Emery J. Street.

It is generally believed by the dead man's old friends that when the National Temperance Relief Union failed and was closed by order of the state insurance commissioner, Mr. Street lost hope. This is supposed to be the reason why he sought solitude and retirement on a farm in Newton County. He gave up all of his money in the settlement of the insurance business and the farm in Newton County was a present from his son Emery. Farm life was probably uncongenial to a man used to such business activity as Mr. Street had experienced, and his friends believe that his environments there added to the gloom that finally overpowered him and caused him to seek death.

ATCHISON, KANSAS, April 8, 1883.

Dear Friend:

It is with profound sorrow that I learn of the death of your estimable wife. Since I was at Marysville and there first knew that her demise was a probability, I have had before me continually the two pictures—your home as I knew it a year ago, and as I know it is now, with you looking on your bright, motherless children in their wonderment of where their mother has gone.

I confess frankly that I cannot appreciate the reason for such losses. I don't see why they should be of so frequent occurrence; yet so it is. Accept my heartfelt sympathy in your great grief, and my best wishes that it may be borne by you and your little ones as lightly as possible.

Your Friend,

W. W. GUTHRIE.

TOPEKA, KANSAS, April 7, 1883.

My Dear Friend Koester:

The intelligence of your bereavement filled our hearts with sadness, for though we were apprised from time to time of your dear wife's illness, yet the stroke was sudden and unexpected to us. We did not receive the intelligence until after all was over—until you had consigned to the last resting place the remains of her whom you loved so dearly—or we should have manifested our love and friendship by our presence. We know that no living mortal who has not passed through the "deep waters" of such an affliction, can realize the bereavement which has come upon you, and yet we realize it so fully that language cannot express our sympathy with and sorrow for you and all dear friends. That the bright star of hope may penetrate the shadows and darkness of your heart, and make the contemplation of the future, in the light of an eternal reunion in realms of which we know so little, brighter and more comforting than ever before, and help you to bear up under the great affliction, is our earnest prayer.

Please convey to the families of Mr. Broughton and Mr. Schmidt my heartfelt sympathies, in which my wife joins me.

Your Sincere Friend,

JAMES SMITH.

TOPEKA, KANSAS, April 9, 1883.

Mr. Chas. F. Koester:

Just as I am leaving home on a visitation, I receive the intelligence of your dear wife's death, and wish to express my deep sympathy with you in this your great bereavement. I remember with much feeling the very pleasant hours I passed with your family but a few months ago.

Very Sincerely Yours,

BISHOP VAIL.

BISHOP VAIL DEAD.

1889.

TOPEKA, Oct. 7.—News is received here of the death of the Right Reverend Bishop, Thomas H. Vail, bishop of the Protestant Episcopal church of Kansas. He has held the office of bishop since 1864. He was seventy years old. Funeral services will be held in Philadelphia Wednesday and in Topeka on Monday next. He will be buried here. He left Topeka two weeks ago to attend the national convention of his church at New York, but was taken ill en route. The immediate cause of his death is due to Bright's disease.

At the conclusion of Bishop Talbot's address Rev. Dr. Beattie, of Kansas, moved that the Board of Missions adjourn as a token of respect to the memory of Bishop Vail, of Kansas, who died yesterday at Bryn Mawr, Pa., while on his way to the convention. Before the motion was adopted it was moved that resolutions of regret at the death of Bishop Vail should be adopted and that a deputation should be appointed to attend the funeral. At the session of the House of Bishops Bishops Clark, of Rhode Island; Quintard, of Tennessee, and Whipple, of Minnesota, were appointed to attend the funeral.

NEWTON AND EMPORIA, MO.,
 From Newton, Nos. 109 and 110, daily, run between Topeka
 and Kansas City only, and carry free re-
 clining chair cars. This is a solid vestibled
 train.
 Nos. 106 and 107 run daily, between Topeka
 and St. Joseph via Atchison without
 change, and carry free reclining chair
 cars. Nos. 107 and 108 run daily, between Topeka
 and St. Joseph via Atchison without
 change, equipped with free reclining chair
 cars and first class coaches.
 Nos. 103 and 104 run daily, except Sunday,
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 sas City with all trains east, north and
 south, and close connections made at Chi-
 cago and St. Louis for fast trains to New
 York and Boston.
 All trains carry through first class
 coaches and smoking cars.

MEMORIAM.

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WESTON, MO., April 8, 1883.

Dear Friend Koester:

It is with feelings of unusual sorrow I read, in the Marysville News, just received, the account of your great bereavement. Wife and I had just returned from church, and on opening the noon mail the startling surprise almost overcame us. Yet so it is; in the very midst of life and its enjoyments, we are called to mourn.

But, my dear sir, I do not look upon this as perhaps I used to. Having been called to stand beside the open graves so often to lay away dear ones,—a father and brothers and sisters,—I can surely say to you, in all kindness, do not mourn beyond being comforted. We have time to stop and think. It is not all of life to simply live; and our loved dead ones are better—far better—off, than amid this life's changes, disappointments, hopes, ambitions, cares and unrecompensed trials. Not that we should look upon and grieve lightly: Oh! no. It is not only natural but right we should grieve with all and deep

MRS. ELLEN L. B. VAIL.

The Last Testimony Over the Remains of a Beloved Woman.

The funeral of Mrs. Ellen L. B. Vail, the widow of the late Rt. Rev. Thomas Hubbard Vail, D.D., LL.D., the first bishop of Kansas, took place from Grace Cathedral Sunday evening at sunset. She was frequently called by the many bishops who knew her "The Angel of the Church in Kansas", because of her wonderful self-sacrificing interest in the welfare of all the churches, schools and the charities of the diocese, much of which is familiar to all, as for instance St. Simons (colored) church, Bethany college and especially Christ's hospital. She was almost as well known as the old bishop himself.

The funeral services were just what would be expected for such a church woman: simple and yet triumphant in their tone from beginning to end. The body was met by the cathedral vested choir of 40 voices and clergy from different parts of the Diocese. Many more expressed by letter and telegrams, including the Bishops of Colorado and Missouri, their deep regret in not being able to attend. The service was the regular burial office of the Episcopal church without sermon. The Right Rev. E. S. Thomas, D. D., the present Bishop of Kansas, read the sentences. The burial chant was rendered by the Very Rev. Frank R. Millspaugh Dean of the Cathedral. after which the bishop came to the foot of the casket and read the resurrection lesson from St. Paul's Epistle to the Corinthians. Then came the peulant hymn "Jerusalem the Golden". The Rev. Dr. Beatty, the Nestor of the Diocese, and the long personal friend of the bishop and Mrs. Vail led the Apostle's Creed and offered up the prayer for those in affliction, also that all present might be raised up to a life of righteousness only natu for the good ex-

The last will and testament of Mrs. Ellen L. Bowman-Vail, relict of the late Bishop Thomas H. Vail, D.D., L. L.D., has been probated. Mrs. Vail left quite a large estate. As she devoted much of her life to charitable work, and the fact that her will will perpetuate her work in this direction, makes the document one of very general interest to Kansas people.

Mrs. Vail died Thursday, July 26, but it was not until yesterday that the contents of the will were made public. Bishop Vail died October 6, 1889. The will was attested August 18, 1887. In the will Mrs. Vail named the bishop as executor, providing that in the event of his death Rev. Henry A. Coit, D.D., of Concord, N. H., should become executor. As Rev. Coit is not a resident of Kansas he could not qualify, and Judge Elliott has appointed Miss Ellen S. Vail, Mrs. Vail's daughter, to serve as executrix, and she has already qualified.

To her husband Mrs. Vail bequeathed \$5,000, at his death to be equally divided between Thomas Christopher Vail, Israel Everett Vail and the children of Mrs. Marie Elizabeth Vail Bakewell. The three parties named are the children of Bishop Vail by his first wife.

To the trustees of the College of the Sisters of Bethany she gives \$6,000 for the endowment of two scholarships, to be named the "Bishop Bowman Scholarship" and the "Samuel Bowman Vail Scholarship," the principal of this sum to be held entire and the income to be annually applied towards the support and education in the college of two or more girls nominated and appointed by the president of the college, the preference always being given, when practicable, to daughters of clergymen of the diocese of Kansas.

To her daughter, Ellen S. Vail, the sum of \$25,000 is given. She also makes mention of certain other property which she had already given her daughter with the following suggestions: "My own life, adopted from my father's practice and from his wish, has been to give for purposes of charity and benevolence at least one-half of my income. I do not leave you to my rule, for I wish your gifts to be voluntary and not by prescription, and God's providence may multiply it. But let your expenditures be moderate and economical, and let your gifts for God and for his church and for the cause of humanity be liberal and generous."

sincerity ; still, we have a duty to the living and ourselves that calls fervently for our attention. You have your three dear children to claim your love and care and to return your love.

Believe me, sir, you have our sincerest sympathy and assurance of the deep interest we have for you in this your bereavement.

We remain your friends,

MRS. & F. W. PARSONS.

ZANESVILLE, OHIO, April 9, 1883.

My Dear Mr. Koester:

I was both surprised and grieved on receiving the news of the death of your beloved wife. When I met her, surrounded by her lovely children, in your beautiful home, I thought you had before you many years of happiness and love. How mysterious are the stately step-pings of the Almighty. "His ways are past finding out." We must submit to the dispensations of His providence, though the heart may break in the attempt. May the Lord sanctify it to your good, and by it may He teach you true submission to His will.

With warm regards and deep sympathy,

I am your friend,

C. W. POTWIN.

DAYTON, OHIO, April 9, 1883.

Chas. F. Koester,

Marysville, Kansas:

MY DEAR SIR—It is with pain that I learn of your severe affliction in the death of your dear wife, whom I remember as the light of your home. But God is over us all, and “doeth all things well.” He alone can bind up the wounds caused by this affliction.

In my own home also is sickness, but I trust that this bright weather may bring returning health.

In sympathy,

Very Truly,

GEO. F. ROHR.

LINCOLN, NEB., April 8, 1883.

Chas. F. Koester:

DEAR SIR—We extend to you our heartfelt sympathy in your sad affliction. No one can realize the anguish and sorrow until they have laid away some loved one. It has been our sad misfortune to lose our bright little boy of six years; and though he can return no more, he will draw us in paths of thoughtfulness toward the great beyond. To know he is waiting our coming is a great consolation, in which we hope you also may find peace and comfort.

We remain your friends,

MRS. & C. M. LEIGHTON.

CONCORDIA, KANSAS, April 7, 1883.

Dear Friend :

The sad news of the death of Mrs. Koester is received. I deeply sympathize with you and your relatives. The last time I saw you and Mrs. Koester was when your guest during the "Old Settlers' Reunion," and so hospitably and kindly entertained ; and I can scarcely realize that a lady so eminently qualified to make home for husband and children so happy, should so soon be called from earth to a higher life. Mrs. Jenkins joins me in transmitting our condolence to you and the children, relatives and friends.

With many kind regards to all, I remain,

Respectfully,

E. J. JENKINS.

A FAITHFUL OFFICER.

Hon. E. J. JENKINS retires from the position of Receiver of the United States Land Office, at Concordia, to which he was appointed on the establishment of the Land Office itself, which was opened for business January 16, 1871. How important a part was played in the settlement of Kansas by this office, is shown by the fact that during the year 1871, 932,175 acres of land were entered under the homestead law at Concordia. This was the "big year," but for years after the duties of the Receiver of the Concordia Land Office continued to be onerous as well as responsible. Since the Republican land district was established, it has been twice divided by the establishment of offices at Kirwin and Oberlin, as the tide of emigration has flowed westward but the great work

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FORT SCOTT, KANSAS, April 7, 1883.

Chas. F. Koester,

Marysville, Kansas:

DEAR SIR—It is indeed sad news to learn of your great loss in the death of your wife. You have my deepest sympathy. It seems but a short time since we met in Philadelphia, in 1876. It has been pleasant since then to hear of your beautiful home, which has now lost its greatest charm.

Very Truly Your Friend,

A. W. WALBURN.

"GOPHER" JENKINS.

Died March 26-99.
**How a Well Known Kansas Pioneer
Got His Nickname.**

Hon. E. J. Jenkins died at Concordia, Kan., Sunday last, having been sick only a short time. Many people in Troy remember Mr. Jenkins, he having lived here in early days, engaging in the practice of law, and he was among the foremost in that profession in northern Kansas. In 1870, when the land office was established at Concordia, he was appointed receiver, which place he held a number of years. He was also one of the promoters of the town which was laid out at that time.

He was county attorney of Doniphan county for two terms and was also a Representative and a Senator in the Legislature. It was while he was a Representative the first time that some members of the Legislature played a practical joke on him, which was told all over the state. Mr. Jenkins was very popular with the

farmers, and at that time they were planting fruit trees in great areas, which was the starting of the immense orchards in this county today. Gophers were very numerous and the young trees were being killed and injured in great numbers, so the farmers wanted to send a trustworthy man to the Legislature to pass a law to pay a bounty on gopher scalps. Jenkins, or "Jeff," as he was called, was elected. The bill was duly prepared and introduced, and when it was on the eve of passage, a member moved that the word "grasshoppers" be substituted for "gophers" wherever it occurred in the bill. This was done and the bill was then killed, to be re-enacted later as originally introduced. An then, for years, Mr. Jenkins was known as "Gopher Jenkins."
—Troy Chief.

SENECA, KANSAS, April 8, 1883.

Friend Koester :

I am in receipt of the news of the terrible bereavement that has come to you and yours. I know that words are empty, but I also know that were I situated as you are I would value the kind words of sincere friends; and I can assure you, not only for myself but for others of your many friends here, that you have a full measure of genuine and fraternal sympathy.

May the good Lord deal most kindly with you and sustain you in this the hour of your affliction.

With kindest regards and wishes,

Your Friend,

WILLIS BROWN.

ATCHISON, April 7, 1883.

Mr. Koester:

MY DEAR SIR—A few days ago I received your letter of sympathy and condolence in the sad bereavement which had befallen me. On my return from Topeka to-day I learn of the death of your beloved wife. My heart goes out in sympathy for you in this hour of great grief and sorrow. My own recent similar experience teaches me that the bereaved heart alone knows its sad desolation. When we go about the house and miss the dear, familiar face and the innumerable tokens of affection that so long greeted and pleased us, words are powerless to express our heartache.

Had I received notice of the funeral of your wife in time, I would have attended.

All the children wish to be remembered to you and yours.

Truly Yours,

ALBERT H. HORTON.

KEOKUK, IOWA, April 13, 1883.

Mr. Chas. F. Koester:

DEAR SIR—A few days since, the news of the death of your dearly beloved wife reached us. How very sad that one so amiable and in the prime of life should be called away from a home now so sadly in need of a loving mother. Bear it, my friend, with fortitude and patience, as time will reveal to your household and the hearts of your children comfort and consolation. We can measure the depth of your grief, since we have parted with our son at the age of fourteen years, and an older daughter; we know the hand of Providence weighs heavy upon you.

Assuring you of our sympathy, we are

Your Friends,

MRS. & WM. WAPPICH.

Mr. Koester,

Marysville:

DEAR SIR—I cannot forbear extending to you our heartfelt sympathy upon receiving the sad intelligence of the death of Mrs. Koester. We had heard of her severe illness, but hoped to hear of her recovery, and this sad news was a great shock to us.

To know her was to love her and recognize her many lovely qualities, and I shall always look back with sweet recollections of my visit with her in her lovely home, and with gratitude for her many kindnesses to me. Our people join in sending to you their sympathy.

Respectfully,

STELLA A. BROWN.

BLUE RAPIDS, April 8, 1883.

ST. JOSEPH, MO., April 7, 1883.

Chas. F. Koester:

ESTEEMED SIR—The sad intelligence of the death of your beloved wife was received by us with much sorrow, and we beg to tender you our heartfelt sympathies in your sad bereavement. Truly we live in a world where solemn shadows are continually falling upon our path—shadows that teach us the insecurity of all temporal blessings, and warn us that here there is no abiding stay. We have, however, the happy assurance that death cannot enter that sphere to which the departed are removed.

With truest sympathy, we are,

Very Respectfully,

J. B. BRADY & CO.

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when it was the greatest outpouring of the people, and the most enthusiastic reception ever given an American citizen in the Trans-Mississippi states.—Wahoo Wasp.

FALLS CITY, NEB., April 13, 1883.

C. F. Koester,

Marysville:

DEAR SIR—It is with great sorrow that I learn of the death of your wife. It is indeed a sad stroke for you and the little family. In this world all have their trials and afflictions, and all of us must some day pay the debt of nature as others have done before us. You have my sympathy in your sad bereavement.

Yours Very Truly,

S. B. MILES.

DEATH OF STEPHEN B. MILES.

Old and Respected Citizen of This County
Passes Away. Close of a Long and
Prosperous Life. 1898.

Stephen B. Miles died in this city on Sunday, Oct. 30th, at the age of 76 years. Mr. Miles' last illness was long and painful and only after the most intense suffering, did the end come.

Stephen Miles was born in York county, Pennsylvania, January 9, 1822. He spent his youth and early manhood in his native state and in 1856 he came west when he entered into mail contracts with the government often going over the long routes himself, incurring many of the hardships and dangers incident to such trips in the early days. Mr. Miles was a man of great business ability and accumulated much of this world's goods, and left a fortune gained by hard effort, much of it literally dug in the sweat of his brow from the virgin soil of a new country. His splendid executive ability enabled him to look after the details of his vast business interests without assistance. The deceased was a member of the I. O. O. F. and had been so for many years. About a year ago, as a method of showing his love for the order he presented the Nemaha Valley lodge of this city with the brick business block at the corner of 4th and Stone streets with the result that the local lodge is now possessed of one of the finest lodge rooms in the state, all due to the generosity of Mr. Miles.

The funeral services were held from the residence of his son, J. H. Miles, 202 N. Stone street, on Tuesday afternoon and were under the auspices of the Odd Fellows. The funeral was very largely attended and the remains were followed to Steele's cemetery by many friends.

LEADVILLE, COLO., April 9, 1883.

Chas. F. Koester,

Marysville:

DEAR FRIEND—With feelings of regret and sorrow we received the sad news of the death of your dear wife, and hasten to offer you our sincere and heartfelt condolence. Words do not generally heal the wounds of sorrow; but the wishes of friends are, we hope, nevertheless welcome, hence extend you our sympathy in this your trial. We remain

Your Friends,

MRS. & NATHAN COHN.

PHILADELPHIA, April 9, 1883.

My Dear Friend :

What can I say? The sad news of your dear wife's death has shocked me. The good partner of your life gone—your dear little children motherless. May God strengthen you to endure this trial manfully, and grant you a long life, that you may realize in your children the comfort and happiness denied you by the death of Mrs. Koester. Little did I think when at your pleasant home that so soon, alas! that good woman would be called away. My wife joins me in this my sincere sympathy.

Ever Your Friend,

L. M. KIEFFER.

ST. JOSEPH, MO., April 10, 1883.

Mr. Chas. F. Koester:

MY DEAR SIR—I tender you my heartfelt condolence in your sad bereavement. Yourself and children have certainly lost a treasure. Console yourself in the thought that she is at last relieved from her sufferings, and that there may be a happy reunion in the mysterious “beyond.” May she rest in peace.

I am glad to know that your dear little children will have the kindest of care among your own near relatives, and this fact doubtless helps to sustain you in your misfortune.

With best wishes for the welfare of you and yours, in which Mrs. N. joins me, I am,

Truly Yours,

B. NEWBURGER.

Walker.
The young folks had a very pleasant ball at Hardy's hall. Pryor's band furnished the music. At 12 o'clock the merry dancers repaired to the Odd Fellows' hall, where the Rebekahs had a splendid supper prepared for them, which was praised by all as being most excellent.
Judge Goodman of Albany, was in Savannah yesterday visiting his cousin, Mr. Thomas Stamp.
It is said that Brother Dyer is woefully struck on one of Savannah's fair damsels.
At Oneida, Ks.
The crowd was large at the oyster supper gotten up by the ladies of the Christian church on Thursday evening. The net receipts were \$42.50.
Rev. A. E. Payne gave a discourse at the LaSelle street church on Thanksgiving, which was very interesting to all American citizens in calling attention to some of the some of the dangers that seem to threaten

Nov 26 Mrs. Ida Newburger. 1886.

Last Friday evening at the set hour, half-past four o'clock, a large number of friends assembled at the residence of Mr. B. Newburger to pay the last tribute of honor to his deceased wife, Ida, whose life was cut short in the prime, before she had finished her thirty-first year, and in the best progress of her invaluable usefulness as wife and mother of three little children. Rev. Dr. Schwab performed the sad rites over her remains. Her husband, with the eldest child, Irma, and her parents sorrowfully leaning against the venerable shrine containing all that was earthly of her, whose career should, at the bidding of an unseen Power, terminate so early. No more soul-stirring scene than this final farewell meeting human eye ever witnessed. Sentiments of true condolence were roused to the highest pitch in the hearts of all attending there. Tears of deep sorrow and mourning welled abundantly from their eyes, as the words of eulogy were pronounced by the minister. He dwelled upon the exemplary and self-sacrificing devotion of the deceased as wife and mother, her stern sense of duty and her keen conception of rectitude, as upon her great benevolence, which she practiced with a spontaneous richness of kindly feeling no less than with lavish ampleness for surpassing the proportions of her material resources. He further emphasized her unflinching and resolute mind turned solely to the strict performance of her line of duties, for the sake of continuing which indefinitely she patiently endured many a time in past years the most excruciating pangs of the body, and passed heroically through the severest ordeals of physical suffering.

A heroine, indeed, in all human, wifely and motherly virtues, she has proved herself throughout her life that now, alas, lies prostrate and inanimate. Her memory will, however, live on with her fond and trusting husband, whose union with her had been a steady source of peace and happiness to him, as it will remain indelibly impressed upon the minds of her affectionate parents, all her relatives and the many friends who held her in high esteem in life for the nobility of her character.

Her brother, Sam Newburger, had arrived here too late, from St. Louis, to meet his dear sister yet alive or even to attend the funeral.

At the conclusion of the services the casket, adorned with several exquisite floral tokens of love and respect, was borne out of the desolate home, to be entrusted to the care of the funeral cortege. The pall bearers were the trustees of the Jewish congregation and Mr. Taylor. The cortege started with solemn and sombre pace for the Union depot, where the Hannibal train going east was to receive the dear charge, destined to be interred in the Jewish cemetery of Philadelphia, in which the Newburgers have a family lot. Her bereaved husband accompanied by Irma, entered the sleeper on the arrival of the train amidst the broken tones of a doleful farewell, spoken by the friends to the forever departing object of their warm and sincere respect. Mr. Newburger intends to arrive in Philadelphia this evening. Arrangements for the burial of the deceased are already made by his brother residing there. It will take place Monday. God bless the soul of Mrs. Ida Newburger.

St Joseph

OLNEY, ILL., April 3, 1883.

Dear Nephew:

Your telegram to-day at 10 A. M. received, bringing us the sad yet not altogether unexpected news of dear Sylvia's death. We extend you our love and sympathy in your bitter moments of sorrow. Aunt Alta feels very, very badly. We are so glad my wife could be with you to comfort Sylvia in the last few months' sickness—to comfort and administer to the wants of one who was to her truly a child ; and I know Sylvia looked upon Mary as a mother. All join in sympathy, and our thoughts are with you.

Your Uncle,

O. B. MOREHOUSE.

OLNEY, ILL., April 3, 1883.

Chas. F. Koester:

DEAR COUSIN—We received the telegram containing the sad news of dear Sylvia's death. I wish I were near you to express my sympathy to you and the dear little children who will so sadly miss their mother's love and care. Although near relatives are with you to care for you all tenderly, yet the mother-love is wanting. May God grant *you* that love and tenderness, that her children may not so deeply realize the loss of their mother. Aunt Alta sorrows greatly to-day on hearing the sad news. Though we are anxious to have mother Morehouse home again, we are very glad she could be with Sylvia to take a mother's stead in her last moments.

Very Sincerely Yours,

MRS. DORA WOLFE.

OLNEY, ILL., April 12, 1883.

Mr. C. F. Koester :

DEAR COUSIN—I trust you will excuse the delay in offering you a few words of sympathy in your great loss in the death of your beloved wife. On receiving the sad news father Morehouse wrote you, and the many duties of our household and indisposition of the children delayed this message.

Grandma Morehouse arrived home safely, and all were so delighted to see her home again. Had a family reunion on Wednesday, but we were painfully reminded of the family circle in Kansas that was so sadly mourning. There are "ways past finding out," truly, when one thinks of the many ciphers in the world, apparently of little use, which are permitted to remain, and then of one who has home, friends, husband, love and happiness, and is called to lay them all aside—to go hence. If I could only do more than merely express a word of comfort to

you and the little ones, how gladly, happily, I would do it. It was so sweet of your wife to think of my baby boy. What a pleasure it would have been to have known such a noble woman.

All send love, and a kiss to each of the children from Aunt Mame.

I remain very sincerely yours,

MAME MOREHOUSE.

HIAWATHA, April 12, 1883.

Mr. C. F. Koester:

It is with deep regret that I have heard of the death of your dear wife. Please accept my sympathy.

MRS. C. H. JANES.

DEATH OF C. H. JANES.

Governor Morrill's Business Partner at Hiawatha Passes Away.

Secretary Bristow received a telegram yesterday announcing the death of C. H. Janes, Governor Morrill's business partner, at his home in Hiawatha, Sunday night.

Mr. Janes has been ill for a long time. For several months last summer his death was expected at any time, but Mr. Janes rallied and seemed to have good prospects for complete recovery.

Governor Morrill, because of Mr. Janes' death, will not return to Topeka this week.

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LEAVENWORTH, April 11, 1883.

Chas. F. Koster:

DEAR SIR AND BROTHER—The news of the departure for a better world of Mrs. Koester reached me on my return home, and was both surprising and painful. I have a knowledge of the sorrow and unutterable loss you have sustained, and I also know how language fails to convey one's sympathy in any appreciable sense.

Allow me, my friend, to tender my condolence in your deep affliction, and express the hope that you may bear up under it, and thus enable you to live for your children, and hope for a happy reunion where pain and parting shall be no more forever.

Yours Fraternally,

SAM'L F. BURDETT.

Mrs. Susan Burdette Ill.

Mrs. Susan Burdette, widow of the late Samuel F. Burdette, who was for many years grand secretary of the grand lodge of Odd Fellows of Kansas, is now living at Point Pleasant, N. J., and recent letters received from her son, Frank, say that she is critically ill. The letters do not state the character of the illness with definiteness, but mention spasms of the stomach and heart. Mrs. Burdette has many friends in Leavenworth, her old home, and also in Topeka, where she formerly visited a good deal, and elsewhere in the state. *May 13-1899.*

WATERTOWN, N. Y., April 9, 1883.

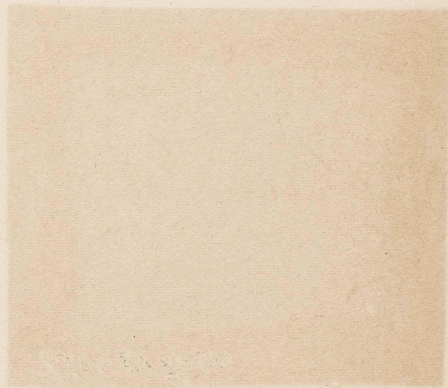
Chas. F. Koester,

Marysville, Kansas:

MY DEAR SIR—We learned of the death of Mrs. Koester with mingled surprise and regret, and offer you our heartfelt sympathy, in which Mrs. Hooker joins me, in this your deep affliction.

Very Truly Your Friend,

GEORGE S. HOOKER.



NEW YORK, April 10, 1883.

Mr. Koester:

MY DEAR SIR—With surprise and pain I read the announcement of the demise of your good wife. No experience can be sadder than this, and no balm from friend or stranger can heal the blight of such grief. I can scarcely do more than express my sincere sympathy for you in the kindest terms, in the hope that the recollection of past blessings may bring comfort in the future.

With kind wishes, I remain,

Cordially Yours,

GEO. S. HULBERT.

ST. LOUIS, April 12, 1883.

Chas. F. Koester:

DEAR SIR—The news of the death of your beloved wife is before us. We beg to extend our profound sympathy. Thus all must go—one after the other. A few more years and we, too, will be no more. The vicissitudes of life are often numerous and hard to bear ; when loved ones are taken from us, is life's bitterest cup. Gather courage and strength, in the hope that after a short time there will be a meeting on yonder shore, and then will come lasting happiness, repaying us a thousand times for all sufferings here.

We beg to remain your friends,

CAMPEN, BIERMAN & CO.

ALBUQUERQUE, N. M., April 11, 1883.

C. F. Koester:

DEAR FRIEND AND COMPANION—Allow myself and wife to tender you our friendship and sympathy in this hour of your sad sorrow. My wife cried silently when she read of the death of her dear friend, your estimable wife. In the whirl of business, in the grind of every-day life, men are so apt to forget the higher, nobler duties of manhood; but the example of a Christian woman is a lamp and a guide, and it is a holy comfort in time of affliction. Your wife did not live in vain. Her life was noble and her example is reaching out, doing good, even to far-off lands. Her friends rejoice that death had no terrors for her, the grave no victory.

And now, friend Koester, console yourself in the love and pleasure of your little children, for whom you now live. Come for a few months with them here, and see us; the change and the shadow of the mountains will rest you, and the grief and pain will be less afterwards.

Very Fraternally,

THOMAS HUGHES.

HAMILTON, OHIO, April 12, 1883.

Chas. F. Koester:

DEAR SIR—On my way home, at Salina, I received the news of the demise of your estimable wife. I desire to express my sincere sympathy for the affliction that has befallen you. Words are tame to express feelings upon such an occasion, but my heart is full of true sympathy.

Very Respectfully,

JOHN MILLIKIN.

HAMILTON, ILL., April 18, 1883.

Mr. Koester:

DEAR SIR—The sad tidings of the death of my friend, your wife, was received with heartfelt sorrow. Although we knew Sylvia was failing, and many odds for recovery against her, we did not look so soon for the sad event. It would be useless to attempt, in this, to express our sorrow, sympathy and condolence; but you well know it is sincere, and such as words cannot convey. The children—God bless them!—they will not know what they have lost until they are grown; under your fatherly care they may learn to love their mother, who loved them so dearly, so fervently.

Believe me, your true friend,

MRS. MOLLIE GREY.

TOPEKA, KANSAS, April 11, 1883.

Mr. C. F. Koester:

MY DEAR SIR—The sad news of the death of your wife came duly to me. Learning of the rapid decline in her health, I had feared the near result.

My dear friend, what words of comfort can I give that will in any degree lessen the crushing sorrow that has fallen on your life? It has seemed for a long time that I knew her and was acquainted personally with her, although we never met. Friends of hers spoke so often and so much of your charming family and home, that she was not a stranger to me.

In my own life I have the certain assurance that there is—there *must be*—a happy land in the “Great Beyond,” where we shall surely meet and greet our loved ones,—where no shadow of parting can ever come. Up there ’tis “heart to heart.” She is watching and waiting for you at the beautiful gate. It is so little we can say to

sorrowing friends, bereft of the soul of life; yet oh! my friend, I do extend my sincerest sympathy to you in this your greatest grief.

I am now more glad than ever that I sent her that bouquet of roses last March, which she so kindly acknowledged recently. I remain,

Very Truly,

MISS E. R. BRISTOL.

TOPEKA, ILLINOIS, April 15, 1883.

Mr. C. F. Koester:

RESPECTED FRIEND—You have my sincerest sympathy in your late bereavement. None but those who have been thus sorrow-stricken can fully understand how heavy the burden is, nor how the poor human heart aches under its weary load of woe.

I *do* sympathise with you from my heart. That God may help you to bear it, and bless your little ones, is my sincere wish.

Very Respectfully,

MRS. INEY CULP.

BEATTIE, KANSAS, April 7, 1883.

Mr. C. F. Koester:

DEAR SIR—Deeply we mourn with you in the loss of your wife, as a dearly beloved friend. At this hour words of sympathy can give but little comfort in your deep grief and sorrow. We are very sorry we could not be present at the obsequies.

Trusting and praying that all is well with your little children, we remain

Your Friends,

J. & F. GUITTARD.

FOND DU LAC, WIS., April 13, 1883.

C. F. Koester,

Marysville:

RESPECTED FRIEND—The sad news of my friend's death is at hand. Words fail to convey to you my sorrow, to express the sympathy I have for you and the little children. My sister advised me of your wife's declining health, and although hoping and praying for her recovery, I was painfully impressed with doubts of it.

I look back to early, happy days, made happier by the silken tie of sincere friendship which existed between us, and now that one so true and noble has gone from us, the tender cord of friendship is keenly felt in my heart, and I sorrow with you. May the legacy she has left for your care and future comfort, in those dear little beautiful children, be to you now a great comfort and consolation in this sad bereavement.

The Doctor joins me in this expression of sympathy and in good wishes for your family's welfare.

I remain your sorrowing friend,

MRS. ANGIE NYE.

MUSCATINE, IOWA, May 11, 1883.

Chas. F. Koester,

Marysville:

DEAR SIR—By the papers lately received we read the great affliction that has overtaken you in the death of your respected wife. We sympathise with you in this deep sorrow, and know that no words can portray your sorrow or lessen your grief. Be assured of our sincere sympathy.

We remain, Your Friends,

BROOMHALL & BAWDEN.

CHICAGO, May 12, 1883.

Chas. F. Koester:

DEAR SIR—I have read the account of the death of your good wife, and am truly overcome with sorrow, and hardly know how to express my sincere sympathy for you in this your greatest loss. It seems as though I had known you all for a long time, on account of our frequent business intercourse that was peculiarly pleasing and satisfactory to all.

A short journey with your family east would give you relief, no doubt, and I would be happy to have you come and see me.

Very Truly Yours,

H. E. SCHOLLE.

OLNEY, ILL., April 22, 1883.

Chas. F. Koester:

DEAR COUSIN—Since the death of my dear cousin Sylvia, your estimable wife, I have been so grieved that I could not offer you my sincere sympathy, as I was so pained with sorrow for you and the dear children. Aunt Morehouse returning home, has given me all the particulars of the last months, days and hours of your departed loved one. Oh! it is so sad that she should go and leave you all, surrounded by so much happiness. The mementoes sent me also are at hand. I shall ever cherish them, as sacred to her memory.

Mr. Boggs joins me in sympathy and kind regards.

Sincerely Your Friend,

MRS. ALTA BOGGS.

ST. JOSEPH, April 4, 1883.

Mr. Chas. F. Koester:

MY DEAR FRIEND AND FRATER—This morning the sad news came to us of the death of your dear wife. Many times to-day have we thought and spoken of you sympathisingly. In a bereavement such as yours, words of condolence sound vain and empty. A wife, a mother gone, who but the Great Father, whom we are constrained to believe doeth all things well, can give comfort and ease to the sorely stricken hearts that mourn the lost one?

We knew her but a little while, yet in that short time learned to know and admire her many winning qualities.

“Gathered home from the world of strife,
To the joys of heaven, beyond the blue—
Gathered home in the bloom of life,
To the bliss of the blood-bought good and true.”

Not only may you feel the sympathy of loving hearts here, but may the tenderer, truer love of our dear Savior enfold you, is the prayer of your true friends,

DR. & MRS. WM. G. HALL.

KANSAS CITY, MO., May 28, 1883.

Chas. F. Koester,

Marysville:

DEAR SIR AND FRIEND—I have seen a paper containing the first intelligence I had heard of the death of your wife. It was not my fortune to know her, but I saw her once, and heard so much about her when you were married, that I feel she was not a stranger to me. Of her personal character and many virtues, I can only echo the sentiment of all who had the pleasure and honor of her personal acquaintance when I say that none more lovely ever graced a man's home. I remember very well your pleasant house and grounds, when at your little city; and when you were wedded, I thought what a delightful spot for a man to take the woman he loves. These years of bliss will be precious to you and to your little ones. Yet I trust, my dear friend, the memory of your sainted wife and the mother of your children will be the incense to you all, sweet and green, as long as ye shall live. May God keep and bless you all in your sore trial. "Tis but a little while," and we shall all, we hope, be united in the great hereafter.

Truly Yours,

J. C. HORTON.

ST. JOSEPH, April 4, 1883.

Mr. Koester:

Allow me to be among the many friends to offer my condolence. I was truly grieved to learn of the death of your wife. I thought of her each day, and wished that she might be spared to her family. But such was not the will of our Heavenly Father; and what a hard lesson to learn to say, "Not mine, but Thy will, O Lord, be done." I have never met a stranger in whom I was so much interested, and had hoped to have met her again. I had several conversations with her, in which she told me of herself, and my heart was so grieved for her when she told me that if she could not get well, how much time she was spending away from you and her home. Life has nothing so sad in it as having to give up our loved ones. You will find satisfaction in carrying out her plans for her children, and I think the two girls will remember their mother. With kind regards,

MRS. B. B. LEWIS.

SOUTH PUEBLO, COLO., June 8, 1883.

Dear Mr. Koester:

I have to thank you for the pamphlet "Kansas and its Resources," and newspapers. I just write a line of sympathy, to say I feel deeply for you in your recent bereavement—the fairest plant in your nice home, and the one who makes home to be such, taken away. Human sympathy and consolation go but a little way in such times, and there is only one heart we can lean upon and find relief in the presence of such crushing sorrow. I only trust that you know the Lord, and if so, you will find real relief; for among the many precious names and titles, we find Father of Mercies and God of all comfort and consolation. And if your dear partner was a child of the Father in Heaven, and you are too, there is the bright prospect—"that blessed hope"—of reunion on the resurrection morn, to be "forever with the Lord."

With sincere regards and truest sympathy,

I remain,

Yours Very Truly,

ARTHUR WELLS.

CINCINNATI, April 12, 1883.

Dear Cousin Charles:

Although not unexpected, yet with surprise did we receive the sad news of the death of your beloved wife, and we offer you our sincere sympathy in your sadness and bereavement, that so soon brought woe to your happy household. I can imagine the loneliness of your dear little ones without their mamma; what many bitter and dreary hours you will have by their innocent questions and inquiries for your departed loved one. Trust in the Lord, take courage, and remember that your duty is to live for your children, that they in return may bless you and give you comfort and happiness in old age.

Mr. Oberheu and mother join me in sending you and your little children our love, and share in your sorrow and bereavement.

MRS. LINA OBERHEU.

CINCINNATI, OHIO, April 15, 1883.

Dear Cousin:

We have heard with much sorrow of the death of your beloved wife. It is the deepest affliction than can befall a man—to be deprived of the truest friend on earth at an age when life's pleasures are in their prime and everything looks bright before him. For some years my son Charles has suffered with the dread disease that causes you to mourn a dear wife's loss. He has been in Florida since February with his grandfather, and we hope much from his sojourn there. My wife and family unite with me in these sincere offerings of sympathy for you in your sorrow. May your little children be a source of comfort and consolation to you in the years to come.

Sincerely Yours,

CHAS. F. MUTH.

† Chas. F. Muth. †

1898.

Cincinnati, O., 16. Mai. —

Einer der bekanntesten deutschen Bürger Cincinnati, ein Mann, der im ganzen Lande durch seine umfangreichen Geschäftsverbindungen bekannt war, ist in der Person des Herrn Chas. F. Muth heute aus dem Leben geschieden. Herr Muth hat wahrscheinlich in einem Anfälle temporärer Geistesstörung, welche durch einen vor mehreren Jahren erlittenen Sonnenstich herbeigeführt wurde, auf seiner Farm in Morristown, Ind., seinem Leben gewaltsam ein Ende bereitet, indem er sich erschoss.

Charles F. Muth wurde am 23. April 1834 in Felsberg bei Cassel geboren, wo ihm auch eine gute Schulbildung zu theil wurde. Nachdem er die Schule verlassen, erlernte er im Geschäfte seines Vaters die Färberei und wurde auch mit dem Spezerei-Handel bekannt, da sein Vater ebenfalls einen solchen betrieb. Später arbeitete er in verschiedenen Färbereien Sachsens, bis er, im Alter von 20 Jahren den Entschluß faßte, seinem Vaterlande Lebenswohl zu sagen und nach der neuen Welt auszuwandern. Im Sommer 1854 landete er in Baltimore, wo er mehrere Monate lang im Tabaks-Geschäft thätig war. Dann begab er sich nach dem Westen und ließ sich in Cincinnati nieder. Seitdem war er hier ansässig gewesen und hatte sich zu einem der erfolgreichsten Geschäftsleute der Stadt aufgeschwungen. Bald nach seiner Ankunft in Cincinnati hatte der junge Muth Anstellung in der Grocery von H. Frank gefunden, wo er mehrere Jahre lang thätig war, dann unternahm er, um das Land kennen zu lernen, eine längere Reise durch den Süden und Westen und kehrte ungefähr nach Jahresfrist nach Cincinnati zurück. Nun nahm er eine Stellung in der Grocery von John Taylor & Co. ein, bis er im Jahre 1861 No. 976 und 978 Central Avenue ein eigenes Geschäft gründete. Dasselbe besteht jetzt noch unter der Firma Chas. Muth & Son und befindet sich in einem äußerst blühenden Zustande. Mit seiner Grocery verband Herr Muth bald ein Samen- und Honig-Geschäft, das ebenfalls riesigen Aufschwung nahm. Der Muth'sche Honig geht über das ganze Land und selbst nach dem Auslande werden riesige Quantitäten exportirt. Der Verstorbene war ein tüchtiger Geschäftsmann, der Alles, was er erreicht, nur sich selbst verdankte.

Herr Muth war ein durch und durch ehrenhafter Mann, von echtem deutschen Schrot und Korn. Den Armen und Nothleidenden verschloß er niemals sein Herz, viel hat er für die deutschen Wohltätigkeits-Anstalten gethan, die ihm an's Herz gewachsen waren, und woimmer es galt, für deutsche Zwecke einzutreten, da war Charles Muth zu finden. Seiner vielen edlen Charakter-Eigenschaften wegen erfreute er sich eines ungemein großen Freundeskreises, unter welchem die Kunde von seinem tragischen Tode aufrichtiges, tiefes Bedauern hervorrufen wird. Den Angehörigen des Dahingeshiedenen aber wird von allen Seiten die herzlichste Sympathie und das innigste Mitgefühl entgegengebracht.

I have some choice lots in Dundee, cheap, with gas, water and sewer. Also a few good ones left in Longview, one block from cable cars, at from \$20 to \$35 a foot.
J. F. DOWNING,
107 West Sixth street.

FOR SALE—PENDLETON HEIGHTS—SOME OF the choicest lots are still on the market at the old prices. There has been no change in the price of lots in this addition since it was platted nearly two years ago. This makes it by far the best investment property in the city. Prompt purchasers can secure all the advance, and that speedily. Seventy lots sold this month. Easy terms and long time. A. M. WINNER, 123 West Sixth street.

FOR SALE—BROOKLYN HEIGHTS—McLEVY & Walley's resurvey is just on the market. Every lot is a lovely spot to build upon. Water will not remain on any of the lots. Also grand view of the city from this addition. Take Eighteenth street car to Brooklyn avenue, then south to Twentieth street and look at this desirable property before you buy. It will pay you.
J. McLEVY,
17 West Sixth street.

PENDLETON HEIGHTS—CHEAPEST AND BEST property in Kansas City; cable line less than three blocks away; Independence avenue to be paved. Best improvements in town are being made in this neighborhood. Prices range from \$18 to \$30 a foot. Will be glad to show it. A. M. WINNER, 123 West Sixth street.

CHRISTIAN SCHUBERT.

With great regard,

family, my sincere sympathy, and remain,

you, as the bereaved husband, and your loving little

sustained in the death of your honored wife. I extend

has touched me so painfully as the severe loss you have

For a long time no misfortune in the passing events

tents duly noted.

Your valued favor of recent date to hand, and con-

Marysville:

Chas. F. Koester,

LEAVENWORTH, KANSAS, July 9, 1883.

Oct. FOUND IN DEATH. 29-85.
CHRIST, SCHUBERT, WHOSE MYSTERIOUS
DISAPPEARANCE WAS REPORTED SUN-
DAY, FOUND DEAD AT WYANDOTTE.

THE TIMES on Sunday referred to the mysterious disappearance of Christian Schubert, who for several years past has been the manager of the German theater at the Leavenworth, Kan., Turnhalle, and was treasurer of the Manear-Gesang Vervin. It was then rumored that he was short in his accounts with the singing society and that that fact had caused him to leave Leavenworth. His father-in-law, Mr. Hahn, of Leavenworth, was in the city Saturday but failed to find the missing man, and the first heard of him was the finding of the dead body on the Wyandotte bridge at an early hour yesterday morning by M. C. Rober and a man named Farrell. They reported the fact to the police authorities of Kansas City, Kan., and Officers Donnelly, McLaughlin and McDonald were sent out to investigate the matter. The whole affair is shrouded with an air of mystery and it is difficult to arrive at anything like a definite conclusion as to whether the case is a suicide or a foul murder. The deceased when found was lying on his back about ninety feet east of the Wyandotte end of the bridge and in such a position as to appear as if he had lain down peacefully. There was some dust on his knees as though he had fallen forward after the shooting and the rim of his hat was also dusty and cracked. The deceased had a little change in his pockets and a gold ring on his finger, but a gold watch of which he is said to have been possessed is missing. The peculiar feature is the fact that no revolver was found either on his person or on the bridge.

The wound was near the left nipple and of such a nature that death must have resulted soon after the shot was fired, and his friends think it unreasonable that he could have shot himself and thrown the revolver into the river as suggested by those who advance the suicide theory. It is further claimed that Schubert was seen at midnight Sunday night in Marshall's saloon on Sixth street by John Carroll, John Davis and J. Marks, and about an hour later at Pierce & Hanson's saloon on Mulberry street, and there showed up \$250 in money. The proprietors of the latter place, however, deny that he was at their place at all. Detective Con O'Hara of the metropolitan police visited the scene of the tragic occurrence, and from his examination of the location and surroundings of the wound is inclined to the belief that it is a case of suicide. The bullet had passed through the vest, and was evidently fired at close range, as the cloth was burned. The coat, however, had not been shot through, and that fact convinced the detective that he had fired the fatal shot himself.

The body was removed to Undertaker Raymond's, and Coroner Burke impaneled a jury, who after viewing the body adjourned until 9 o'clock this morning. As stated in THE TIMES on Sunday, he telegraphed to Leavenworth on Thursday last that he had received the money, but there is no evidence so far to show that he had borrowed any such amount from any of his friends here. The case is one which is likely to prove a very puzzling one and will be difficult to solve.

A delegation of Knights of Pythias came here last evening from Leavenworth and took the remains to that city for interment.

Schubert was born in Cassell, Germany, May 27, 1846. He came to America in November 1865, and lived at Cincinnati, his first location until he removed to Leavenworth, in 1867. After locating in Leavenworth he was for eight months clerk in the Continental hotel, and was afterward connected with the carriage and business until 1869. He then became bookkeeper of the brewery and malt house of Charles Kuntz which position he held for seventeen months. At the termination of this engagement he went to Omaha, where he remained until 1871. He again returned to Leavenworth and worked for Charles Kuntz until 1872, then worked in a carriage shop until 1877, and subsequently took charge of the Turner hall, which he continued to control until now. July 11, 1881, he with Carl Geyer, purchased the Kansas Free Presse. He discontinued his connection with that paper about two years ago. He was married at Omaha, August 23, 1870, to Barbara Hahn, a native of Rochester, N. Y., by whom he has one child, Adolphina. Mr. Schubert was a member of the following societies: Turners, Gesang Verein, Knights of Pythias, A. O. U. W., Mutual Secret Relief, and German-English school association.

ST. JOSEPH, April 6, 1883.

Chas. F. Koester,

Marysville, Kansas:

DEAR SIR—We have heard of your misfortune, and sincerely sympathise with you in your great bereavement by the death of Mrs. Koester.

Remaining, Very Truly,

H. & W. H. BARTLETT.



STEPHENS LITHO. & ENG. CO. ST. LOUIS.

BARTLETT BROTHERS,

DEALERS IN INVESTMENTS.

St. Joseph, Mo. March 28th 1899

Charles F. Koester

My dear Friend

I have your letter of the 9th which came during my absence on a trip to Cuba from which I have just returned. I wish to thank you most earnestly for your kind letter of sympathy. None know what a loss it is only those who have experienced it. Mrs Bartlett had been a great sufferer for years and it seemed as though there was no relief for her.

With kindest wishes for your family, as well as your self

I remain Your Friend
D. L. Bartlett

PHILADELPHIA, PENN., April 10, 1883.

Mr. Chas. F. Koester,

Marysville, Kansas:

DEAR SIR AND FRIEND—Papa informed us of your sad loss. We were very sorry for you and your dear children. You must indeed feel very lonely without your kind wife; but remember that God never does anything but that it is for the best. She is now free from suffering, and watches over you and the dear little children, who are so soon deprived of her love, their dearest and best friend.

God saw fit to take our little May to him, since I wrote you last. George and Ida are getting better; both were very sick? Are your little girls right well? How is little Charles? We hope we will have the pleasure of knowing them some day. Our love to them. Mamma and papa send their regards and love.

Again offering our sincere regrets for your loss, we remain,
Your True Friends,

EMMA K. & CHAS. F. KIEFFER.

ST. JOSEPH, July 19, 1883.

Chas. F. Koester:

MY DEAR SIR—Extending to you my deep and heart-felt sympathies in the loss of your wife, and reminding you that time alone can soften the affliction,

I am, Truly Your Friend,

F. M. POSEGATE.

FROM A PASTOR AND FRIEND

FORMERLY OF MARYSVILLE, KANSAS.

CHAPMAN, KANSAS, May 26, 1883.

Chas. F. Koester:

DEAR SIR—We were grieved to hear of your great loss of so good a mother and wife, but trust that while it is your loss, it is her eternal gain. "Though dead, she yet speaketh." May we all meet her beyond the river, and join in praising the Lamb.

Assuring you of our deepest sympathy, we remain

Your Friends,

REV. & MRS. A. J. COE.

POTWIN.—Hon. Charles W. Potwin, a retired banker of Zanesville, O., died July 9, aged seventy. 1889.

FROM A VALUED PERSONAL FRIEND

OF OUR FAMILY,

An Eminent Citizen of Zanesville, Ohio, and Retired Banker, with whom business relations date back nearly twenty years.

ZANESVILLE, OHIO, August 20, 1883.

Mr. Chas. F. Koester.

Marysville, Kansas:

DEAR SIR—I received your favor of the 16th inst., enclosing papers as stated. I am, as you know, now successfully closing out my real estate interests in Marshall County, and hope you will find for me purchasers for the remaining tracts at an early date.

How very pleasant has been our correspondence and agreeable our business intercourse in the years that have passed. I have learned to highly esteem you; and when your great sorrow came, I felt bowed down also, out of the purest sympathy and good will for you in so deep an affliction.

With warm regards, your friend,

C. W. POTWIN.

Mit betrübtem Herzen machen wir Ihnen hierdurch die Anzeige, dass unser inniggeliebter Vater und Schwiegervater

August Wille

heute Mittag 1 Uhr nach kurzer schwerer Krankheit durch einen sanften Tod von uns genommen wurde, im nahe vollendeten 79. Lebensjahre.

Bremen, den 4. Februar 1882.

W. B. Bünemann und Frau, Auguste geb. Wille.
Amalie Wille.

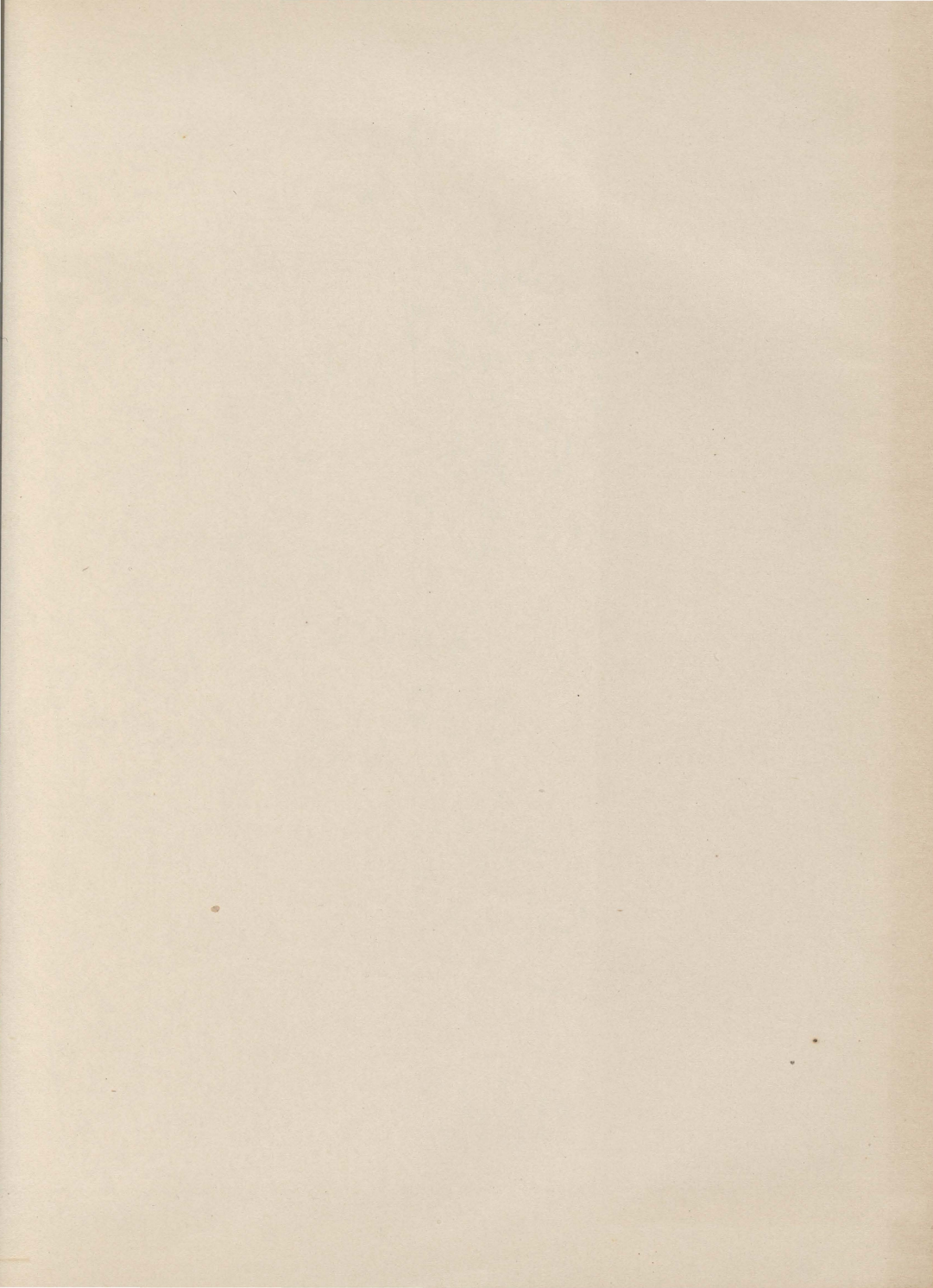
B. C. Papendieck und Frau, Charlotte geb. Wille.

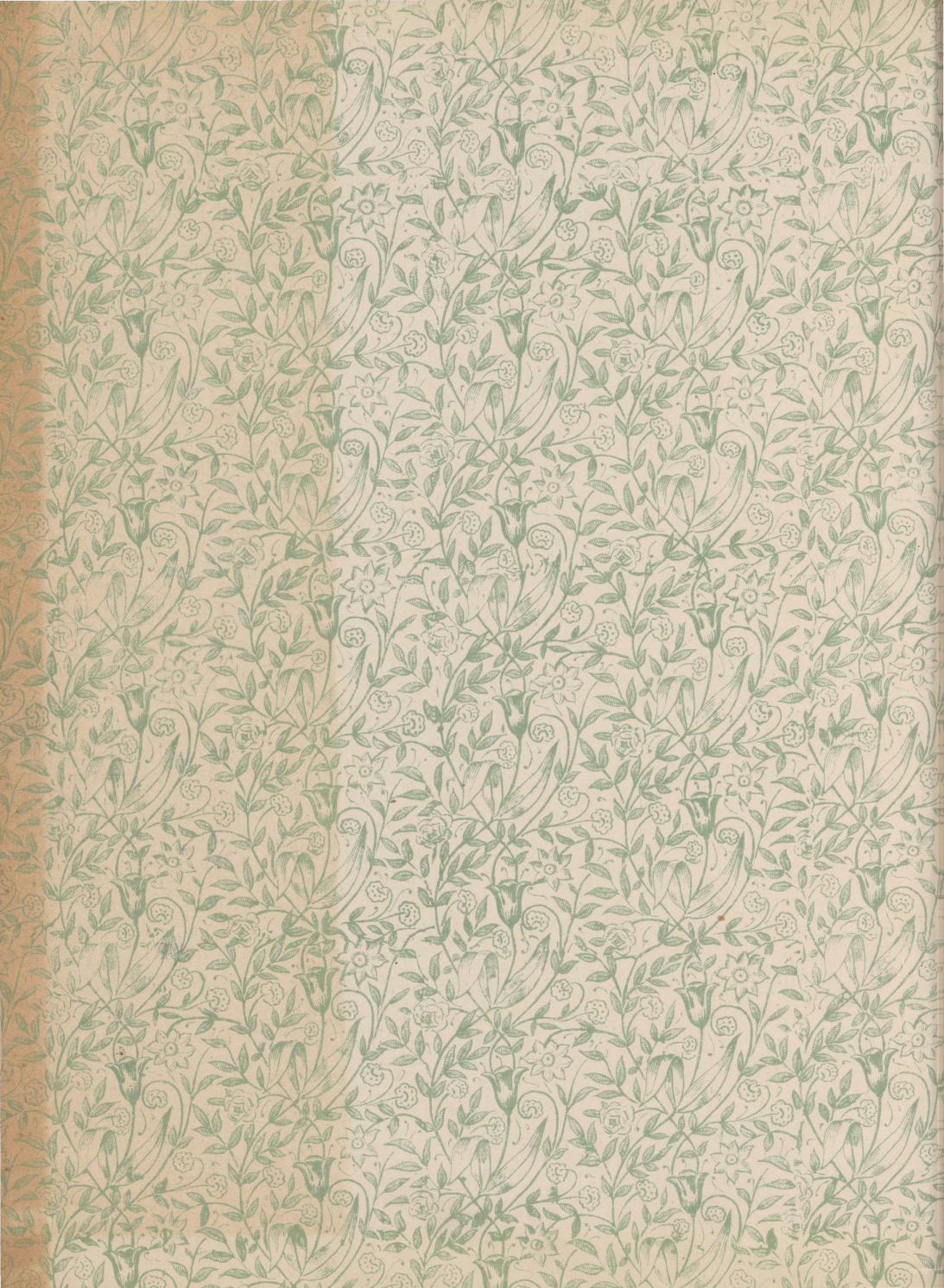
Gust. Petsche und Frau, Louise geb. Wille.

Franz Wille.

Andr. Bach und Frau, Nanny geb. Wille.

Julius Wille und Frau, Emilie geb. Beckmann
in Louisville.





Under the title of "Open the Churches" Emma Playter Seabury has five verses. Here are two of them:

"Open the doors of the churches,
Fling open your palace of stone,
Let the weary come in from the street,
With the Master who walks with His
own.

Let the strain of the splendid organ
Ring down through the frescoed
aisle,

And His poor be warm from the driv-
ing storm
In your gorgeous seats awhile.

"Think you He cares for the prayers
You launch on His mercy wide,
While mothers weep, and the hungry
creep

In the biting cold outside?
While strong men bow in anguish,
And the pure are dragged to shame,
And the children are old and starved
and cold,

And ye worship 'in His name?'"

A single verse from "Are All the
Various Creeds True?" runs:

"I have no creed.
Good is the only rule.
For what else live we?
Fame?

It turns to ashes in the grasp.

Riches?

They are wrung from the heart's blood
of the people.

Knowledge?

It is but a bable of words.

But Good—Love—Truth—Beauty—

These are the verities;

These are eternal."

There is also a new version of the
Lord's Prayer. The reason given for
this is that King and Kingdom are
words invented by man, and that the
same cannot be applied to both God
and man.

The new version reads:

"Our Father, who are eternal in the
universe, hallowed by Thy name.
Please extend Thy gracious goodness
to us, that we may ask that Thy will
be done upon this earth as it is in
Heaven. We thank Thee, kind Father,
for giving us our daily bread, and canst
Thou please forgive us our trespasses,
and teach us to forgive Thy people who
trespass against us; kindly guard us
from our enemies and all trouble.
Dear Father, please deliver us from
all temptations and evils. We give
thanks to Thee, O, God, our sincere
thanks, for Thy kind protection, and
may we be worthy of Thy future care.
In the creation of this world and all
living beings herein, we realize Thy
great omnipotence; therefore we hum-
bly concede that thine is the power,
and the glory, forever and ever.
Amen."

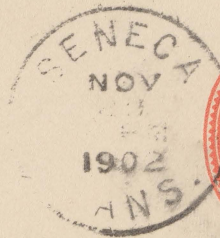
The information is extended that four
churches in New York stand upon
ground that is worth \$12,000,000, while
thirteen others have sites valued at
more than \$7,000,000. Trinity Church
alone, it is pointed out, represents an
investment of \$5,000,000.

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After 10 days, return to

Rev. J. A. Swaney

SENECA, KANS.



Mr. Chas. J. Koester & the
Misses Jennie & Jennie Koester

Marysville

Marshall Co.

Kan.

Seneca, Kan.,
Nov. 28, 1902

Mr. Charles J. D. Koester,
Miss Fannie L. Koester &
Miss Jennie L. Koester—

Dear young Friends;

The Advocate-Democrat was sent to me, containing an account of the death of Hon. Charles F. Koester, & I intended to write you a word of sympathy, but pressure of many duties kept me from getting down to it. I feel for you, in your great loss, as I did when it first occurred. I was twice at your house, & well remember how you looked then. The thought of your father's kindness has been with me ever since. He expressed a desire that I should bring my wife with me to his house, but I never had

the opportunity.

I hope you are as happy as you could be under the circumstances, and that you may live and prosper.

My wife, though she knows you only through me, joins me in kindest regards to you all.

Cordially yours,

J. A. Swaney

