

Belt, George W d. 1-29-1902

Death of George Belt.

George W., fourth son of Benedict and Cecella Belt, was born January 1, 1853, in Fayette county, Iowa, ~~where the city of Independence~~ and where the city of Olewein has since been built. Subsequently the family moved to Jasper county, where at the home of Mr. and Mrs. John Holsclaw, 3 1/4 miles south of Collins, George Belt and Mary E. Holsclaw were married. To this union five children were born, four of whom, William, Ada, Earl and Floyd, are living. The second child, Clarence, died April 15, 1883. Mr. Belt was a resident of Collins from the time the town started until his death, and by his sterling integrity he won the entire confidence and good will of the

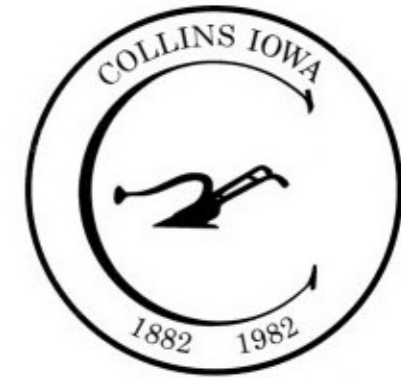
community. He was very industrious, a good citizen, an excellent neighbor, a devoted husband and father, and a son of whom his parents had a worthy pride. His illness, pneumonia, was of but ten days' duration, death occurring at 5:30 a. m., Wednesday, Jan. 29, 1902.

Besides his aged parents and the bereaved family, he leaves seven brothers, T. J. of Norfolk, Neb., H. M. of Eagle Grove, B. F. of Colo, A. L. of Boone, R. J. of Collins, Ed of Granite, Okla., and Al of Collins to mourn his departure. All of these have arrived, except Ed, and will be present at the funeral, which takes place tomorrow at 1 p. m. in the M. P. church. Rev. J. R. McKaig will preach the funeral sermon.

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Deceased was insured in the Yoe-men for \$2,000. The local lodge and members of the order from surrounding towns will be present at the funeral. The interment will be at the Collins cemetery.

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