

MRS. JANE ADAMS ✓ ANSWERS SUMMONS

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GROTON RESIDENT FOR 37
YEARS GONE TO FINAL
RESTING PLACE

After several years of partial disability and nearly two years of almost total helplessness Mrs. Jane L. Adams closed a beautiful career in the early morning of May 29, 1924.

On October 25, 1840, Jane L. Ashley was born in Middlebury, New York state. About four years later the Ashley family removed to Lowell, Kent county, Michigan. On March 15, 1871, this being soon after his return from active service as Lieutenant in the Civil War, she married Frances David Adams and established a home in Lowell.

In this home six children were born the two eldest of which died in infancy.

In the early eighties Mr. Adams was attracted to the prairies of Dakota and wisely located in Groton, filing on lands tributary to the town which still remain in the family possession.

In the early summer of 1887, the family was established in the home, still known as the Adams house, previously made ready for their coming. Here Mrs. Adams presided through the years of Dakota's privations, interspersed with the more prosperous ones, with wonderful confidence, patience, devotion and fondness.

The activities of Mr. Adams in business and political interests of State brought many state officials to her home. These found such a cordial and happy reception that a state-wide circle of friends was won.

Twenty-five years ago, the arm upon which she had leaned so confidently and wholly was removed and here particularly did her strong personality stand forth. Submission and trust, two wonderful Christian traits which characterize a beautiful life, enabled her to still cheer the family circle, and commend the fondest and most devoted affection of her children.

In 1908 Mrs. Adams, while in California, suffered an accident that called forth more particularly the devotion of the family, for since then she has been quite dependent upon the thoughtfulness and assistance of her loved ones.

It was in the summer of 1922 that this devoted mother suffered the second of two strokes, which rendered her almost entirely helpless. During all these months no attention that could bring either comfort or cheer was neglected and so the weakening thread of life was drawn out to the generous length of eighty-three years, seven months and four days.

In the quiet of the morning she quietly slept away leaving an unspeakable void in the lives of her four children, Mrs. R. F. Reynolds and Charles E. Adams of Groton, Dr. G. S. Adams, of Yankton, S. D., and Dr. [Name obscured] of Aberdeen, S. D.