

September 24, 1912

## W. F. BROWN

For many years W. F. Brown—known as Judge Brown to many—had been a familiar figure in Groton.

Five years ago he was the victim of a paralytic stroke, which incapacitated him for active work, and in fact, rendered him almost helpless most of the time. Much of the time during the past five years he had been a great sufferer, so when the final summons came on Wednesday last it may be said to have been a relief from the ills of existence, for which there was no other panacea.

Deceased as a native of Norfolk, Ont., born seventy-two years ago.

He came west in 1882, settling first in Nebraska, and moving from there to Groton six years later in 1888.

A widow and three sons survive him. The oldest son, Clarence, is a conductor on the Milwaukee road; Ernest is one of the very well known traveling men of the state, while Earl still makes his home in Groton. Another son, Roy, died here some years ago.

Funeral services were held at the home on Friday afternoon, Rev. C. F. Strutz of Aberdeen officiating.

The three sons were all home for the last rites.

Mr. Brown was a good citizen, and until failing health came upon him, took lively and intelligent interest in public affairs, and leaves a record for upright living for his sons to emulate.