

CAMPBELL DIES SUDDENLY

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BARRISTER EXPIRES OF
APPOXY EARLY SATUR-
DAY MORNING

Campbell, venerable attorney,
and citizen, died suddenly
of apoplexy last Saturday
morning.

He was stricken at about
nine in the morning and the end
came at nine.

News of Mr. Campbell's death
cast a deep shadow of sorrow over
the city, which, carrying with it, the
certainty of the end, has made
it doubly hard to bear.

Campbell appeared to be en-
joying his usual good health Friday
morning.

He visited with the neigh-
bors at his home, came down town
to be with his friends, and
went to retire for the night.
In the early morning hours,
Lundberg, with whom Mr. Camp-
bell had been making his home at the
residence for the past two
years, heard labored breathing in Mr.
Campbell's bed room, and upon in-
vestigation it was found that Mr.
Campbell was very, very ill. Medical
aid was summoned, and everything
possible done to revive the dying man,
but medical science was unavailing,
and he breathed his last at about nine

Leader of Men.

No man has done more for
the city than the deceased. His guid-
ing wisdom, coupled with untiring
energy in behalf of the city, at-
tributed to him as a leader of men,
in his profession, that of a
leader in the local financial world
and in the lines of civic progress.
Beautiful monuments, erected
with his own hands while he was virile
and vigorous, but with the modest
way in which he went about
his tasks, will live on to per-
petuate his memory—to remind Gro-
ton of his amiable character. For
as long as the city park, which is
the fruit of his endeavors, gives forth
its beauty with each passing spring,
as long as the budding trees
burst forth into nature's splendor at
the end of each rigorous winter, Mr.
Campbell will have a monument great-
er than that ever carved by sculptor
or painted by artist and which typifies
the nobility of his soul more eloquently
than the hand of man can ever hope
to achieve, because he ever clung to and
cultivated a deep-seated passion for
the beauty of nature.

Eric Campbell was born at
Groton, Wisconsin, January 21,
1858, the son of Hiram Campbell and
Mary Wyatt Campbell, eldest of
seven children.

He was educated in the public schools and
at the academy at Galesburg, Wis-
consin, where he taught school and attended the
law school of the university of Wis-
consin, where he graduated in June,

1880. He engaged for a time in the practice
of the law in Wisconsin and
then removed to Iowa, where he mar-
ried Mrs. Arnelia A. Bell, at Sibley, Iowa,
July 27, 1888. He resided for a few
years at Orange City, Iowa, where he
was county auditor of Sioux county
for two terms, and then removed to
St. Paul, Minn., but within a short
time in 1888, he came to Groton,
Iowa, where he continued to reside until his

death. He was well known throughout this
part of the State, having been con-
sistently engaged in the practice of
the law at Groton since 1888,
and practicing alone until two years ago
when he formed a partnership with
Lundberg.

He was mayor of Groton, member
of the city council and city attorney
for many years.

He represented Brown county in the
legislature of South Dakota in 1901
and was state's attorney of Brown
county from 1903 to 1907.

He belonged to various fraternal ord-
ers, including the M. W. A. and A. O.
U. W.

He became a Mason in Sapphire
Lodge No. 467 at Hull, Iowa, April 21,
1890, and transferred his membership
to Groton Lodge No. 65, in 1899.
He continued a member until
his death. He was a member of Gro-
ton Chapter No. 39, R. A. M., of Da-
kota Commandery No. 10, Knights
of the Star and Yeldus Temple A. A. O.
U. W. S., both at Aberdeen, where he
belonged to Aberdeen Lodge No.
10, B. P. O. E.

He was interested in the First Na-
tional bank of Groton for many years
and was actively connected with its af-
fairs at the time of his death, being
director and Vice President and a
member of its loan committee.

Mr. Campbell died at Groton in
the city, 1917.

He is survived by one son, Dwight
Campbell of Aberdeen, a grandson,
Robert Campbell, Jr., and by all his
daughters and sister, Mrs. Jessie Har-
vey, A. W. Campbell and E. V. Camp-
bell.