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Memorials.

Rev. Owen Lovejoy Ramsey.

Owen L. Ramsey was born at LaSalle, Ill., October 15, 1850, and passed to his reward at his home in Ainsworth, Neb., April 22, 1909, aged 58 years, 6 months and 7 days. At the age of fifteen years he was converted and joined the Methodist Episcopal Church. Early in life he felt the call of God to enter the ministry, and responding to that call he joined the West Nebraska Conference on trial and later, at the division of that Conference became a charter member of the Northwest Nebraska Conference, of which he remained an honored member until the time of his death. On entering the Northwest Nebraska Conference he was stationed at Valentine, where he led the people in the erection of a beautiful stone church, which stands as a monument to his untiring labors on that charge for the upbuilding of the kingdom of Christ. His labors were also abundant in fruits in the salvation of souls.

After four years of faithful service on this charge he was also pastor at the following places in the order named: Crawford, Nebr., Lander, Wyo., Rushville, and Ainsworth, Neb. Near the close of the second year as pastor at Ainsworth he suffered a slight stroke of paralysis, which necessitated his taking a supernumerary relation in the Conference. He never fully recovered from this stroke, but regained his health sufficient to enable him to organize the Ainsworth circuit and to do considerable work in assisting other pastors.

At the last session of the Conference he was forced through failing health to ask for a superannuated relation, which was granted. Brother Ramsey was regarded as one of the strongest men of the Northwest Nebraska Conference and enjoyed the confidence of all the brethren in the ministry, as well as that of the laity of the several charges of which he was pastor. He was a brother in heart and soul, of strong character and always taking a deep interest in the things of the Conference. During the time he held the supernumerary relation he was elected Probate Judge of Brown County, which he held for two years. He was married twice, leaving two sons by his first wife. He was married the second time at Denver, Colorado, July 21, 1887, to Miss Valetta Mays, who survives him. Brother Ramsey's death occurred suddenly. He had been sitting in front of his home (as he said to some who passed by) taking a sun bath, and when he arose to enter the house he fell and expired almost without a struggle. The funeral was one of the largest ever held in this section of the country. Our church not being large enough to accommodate those who desired to attend, the services were held in the large auditorium, which was taxed to its utmost capacity. Rev. A. R. Julian, D. D., who was for

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a number of years presiding elder in the districts where Brother Ramsey labored, preached the funeral sermon, paying beautiful tribute to the memory of our departed brother. Other ministers of the Conference who were in attendance were Rev. P. H. Eighmy, Rev. J. A. Johnson, Rev. W. S. York, Rev. C. E. Connell, and Rev. V. R. Beebe, the local pastor. There were also present a large number of laymen from towns near by. In these brief words we sum up the life of Owen L. Ramsey, but how incomplete, for his life's record is in the hearts and lives of those to whom he ministered, and many are they who testify to the helpfulness of his life to them. May God bless and comfort the lonely widow in this, her hour of deep sorrow.

C. E. CONNELL.

W. O. Glasner.

Rev. W. O. Glasner was born February 6th, 1833, in Harmony Township, New Jersey, and died in Schuyler, Nebr., September 15, 1908. He came to Illinois at the age of sixteen; was converted and joined the Methodist Episcopal Church at the age of 19; he moved to Iowa in 1855; he was married to Helen Ward in 1856. Four children blessed this union, three of whom are living. The surviving children are W. A. and F. P. Glasner, of Tindall, South Dakota; Mrs. W. J. Robinson, of Avon, So. Dak.; also Mrs. W. O. Glasner who so tenderly cared for Brother Glasner through the nine months of his sickness, taking all care of him night and day. The deceased was licensed to preach in the Upper Iowa Conference in 1858. He came to Nebraska in 1882 and joined the West Nebraska Conference, and when the Northwest Nebraska Conference was organized he was in its territory and preached until 1903. He was then quite feeble, his last charge being Butte, Boyd Co., Nebr. With his wife he moved to Long Pine, Neb., spent some four years there when they moved to Schuyler, Nebr. Brother Glasner was a devoted Christian, and a great reader especially of the Northwest Christian Advocate. It was a great cross for him to superannuate. He was a kind brother, always submissive, taking his appointment cheerfully, without a murmur. All his life was spent on frontier charges doing hard work, laying the foundation for greater work. For forty-five years he preached, the gospel of Christ. His passing was painless, and the transition as gentle as a child's sleep. When the end came he whispered the names of his two boys and the good man was gone. The eyes closed on earth to open in the glad light of the eternal morning, to know and behold the God and Saviour to whom his life's work was given.

P. H. EIGHMY.