

Eagle Quill

Obit. -

Crawley, Helen Clemons

JAN. 27, 1855 - SEPT. 20, 1940

Helen Clemons Crawley

Helen Clemons Crawley was born in the town of Palmyra on Jan. 27, 1855. She was the seventh of nine children born to Harvey and Emily Taylor Clemons. In 1884 she was united in marriage to John Credicott and they kept the Little Prairie store and post office. After his death in 1892 she continued in the store business.

She married Joseph H. Crawley in 1898. He preceded her in death just short of a year ago. There were no children born to them but early in their married life a small nephew, Earl, came to live with them and from then on she was affectionately known as Aunt Helen to all in the Little Prairie Community.

Aunt Helen was the last of her family to pass through the veil that divides life from death and she felt her aloneness very deeply, especially so because of her helplessness following a paralytic stroke nine years ago. She mourned the fact that she was no longer able to lend a helping hand to her neighbors, relatives and friends and that she could not take an active part in caring for the little home she loved. Her long days were spent in reminiscing and visiting with the friends who came to call.

During her long illness, Unce Joe faithfully cared for her until his death. Since then she lived with her nephew in Eagle where she died on Sept. 14, at the age of 85 years, 7 mos., and 17 days.

She leaves several nieces and nephews to mourn her passing.

The funeral was held at the Little Prairie church with interment in the Little Prairie cemetery.