

Eagle Quill

16 Oct. 1925

Leopold Ignatz Grosse

9 May 1855- 11 Oct 1925

I. L. GROSSE

On Sunday evening I. L. Grosse died suddenly while attending divine services at St. Theresa's church where he served as organist. Mr. Grosse was born in Saxony, Germany, May 9th, A. D. 1855, came to America while yet a young man and for a time attended Rush Medical college of Chicago. Later he was employed in a drug store at Richland Center. Was married at Eagle to Miss Elizabeth Lunenschloss of Richland Center and engaged in the mercantile business continuing the business established there by his father-in-law. With the exception of one year on a farm in Richland county he was engaged in the mercantile business here until a few years ago when he retired. Mr. Grosse was active in public life and was elected supervisor in A. D. 1892, and when the village was incorporated he with Harvey Clemons, J. M. Partridge, Edmund Lins, Sr., Jos. J. Lurvey and Lambert Colyer served as trustee, an office he held for many terms thereafter. Was also a member of the school board at various times. He was an efficient public officer as well as a successful business man. In A. D. 1922, he was elected a director of the Eagle telephone company and was chosen treasurer of the company, an office which he held at the time of his death. Untiring industry and energy marked him as an exceptionally superior man of affairs. His death is not only an irreparable loss to his family, it is a loss as well to the community, for he had been, in a conspicuous way a public spirited man, helpful, zealous and capable.

The funeral took place from the family home, Wednesday forenoon, Father Elsinger officiating and interment was in the family lot in the new St. Theresa cemetery. There was a large attendance and many beautiful floral tributes. He leaves surviving him besides his widow, two daughters, Mrs. Harry B. Burton and Mrs. Bruno A. Wingerter, of Eagle, also one brother in Germany, who have the sincere sympathy of all in their bereavement.
