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member of the Baptist Church, and Mrs. Withers of the Christian Church, and he is a member of the United Workmen's order.

LORENZO S. WOOD

(Farmer, Stock-raiser and Mule-dealer, Post-office, Clarence).

The Wood family was long settled in Monroe county, Va., and was among the highly respected and well-to-do people of that county. Mr. Wood's father, Archibald Wood, owned a large iron foundry and forge, and did an extensive business, being, in fact, a wealthy man, but he met with reverses and lost most of his fortune. After this he removed with his family to Missouri in the hope of making another start in life in this then new country. He settled in St. Charles county, where he was engaged in farming with a measurable degree of success until his death, which occurred in 1842. After that the family removed to Randolph county, where Lorenzo S., the subject of this sketch, remained until he was 12 years of age. He was born in Monroe county, Va., January 1, 1837. In 1849 he made his home with an uncle in Monroe county, Mo., with whom he remained until he reached his majority. After this, in 1863, he went to California by way of New York and Panama, and was engaged in mining and freighting in that State for about two years. He was having good success until he was taken down of the rheumatism, when he had to quit and return home. He shortly afterwards settled in Lewis county, where he followed farming for two years and then removed to Shelby county, settling in the neighborhood in which he now resides. Wood has been satisfactorily successful as a farmer and stock dealer, and now owns two good farms of 160 acres each, both well improved. November 5, 1870, he was married to Miss Mary R., a daughter of Robert C. Hayes, of Macon county, but formerly of Kentucky. They have two children, Effie L. and James D. Mr. and Mrs. W. are members of the M. E. Church South, and he is a member of the I. O. O. F. They have lost one child, Ennis L., aged 18 months.

ADDENDUM.

MRS. MINERVA MULDROW

(Deceased).

[From the Shelbina Democrat.]

It is only when those that are bound to us by the strongest ties of nature, love or affection fall in the tragic finish of life's journey when we have kept the vigils of the sick room through the long hours, ministering to every expressed or implied wish— when we have felt 69

the pulse slowly ebb and sat entombed for the time in the shadow of the Great Mystery, that we realize in its fullest the measure and means of death. A line in this paper last week announced Mrs. Minerva Muldrow as quite ill. To-day with a sadness beyond expression we announce her death. The sad event occurred at 4:30 on Tuesday morning, March 11, 1884, at the home of her son-in-law, E. D. Hos-Deceased would have been 80 years old in May; was born in elton. Kentucky and at an early age came to Marion county, Mo., sharing with others who sought homes in the West the privations and hardships peculiar to a new and sparsely settled country. When 19 she was married to Mr. James Muldrow, whom she had known from youth back in the old home State; together they made a home, and around its hospitable hearth reared a family of nine children, three of whom and her husband she will meet, now that she has lain down the cross to wear the crown. At 30 she became, through confession of faith, a member of the Presbyterian Church, at Greenfield, Shelby county, Mo., Rev. Dr. Nelson, pastor. From that time up to the present deceased lived a Christian's life, and has entered into that rest for which she was abundantly prepared. Grandma is dead. She was a member of the writer's family for 12 or more years, sharing its joys and its sorrows, and, with a singularly pleasant disposition, endeared herself to every member. Eighty years ! A long silvery thread in the warp and woof of time. A good woman has paid the debt of nature and gone hence; she will be ever held in kind remembrance by those who knew her best.



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