Life Work of a Prominent Puebloan Ended.

ANOTHER OLD RESIDENT GONE.

A Public Spirited Citizen and a Well Known Civil Engineer Passes peacefully Away at his Home Yesterday Morning.—A Sketch of His Honorable Career Here and Elsewhere.—Funeral Services Saturday.

Captain William P. Hobson died at 11:45 o'clock yesterday morning at his home 503 east Eleventh street at the age of 60 years. He was born in Henry county, Indiana, September 16, 1834,and came to Colorado in 1878 and had made Pueblo his home ever since. Early in life he moved to Missouri locating in Andrew county. He was married at Savannah, Mo., September 23, 1855, to Miss Sarah S. Hale.

Captain Hobson had an enviable war record, enlisting in G company of the Twenty-Seventh infantry regiment of Missouri and serving through the war. He was commissioned captain early in the service and was in the same company when the war closed and was mustered out in 1866. He contracted a complicated stomach trouble during the war and that was the cause of his death. Since June 1893 he had been confined to his home. He was a member of Upton post No. 8, Grand Army of the Republic, and the funeral,which will be from the house Saturday at 10 a. m., will be under its auspices. The services will be conducted by Rev. Thomas Stephenson of the Grand Avenue Baptist church.

During his residence in Colorado he had followed his profession, that of a civil engineer, and had conducted some of the most substantial improvements in the county. Hundreds of acres of land were made susceptible of cultivation by the building of the ditch which was projected by him. The ditch was taken out of the Fountain. Several other large ditches were built by him in the Arkansas valley and a number of reservoirs were projected. Captain Hobson had a plan for opening up the arid land which if it had been carried out would have been worth millions to the state.

He was a public spirited citizen and when actively engaged in business gave both his time and money to anything for the furtherance of Pueblo's interests. His labors did a great deal of good and many of the present improvements in the city are due as much to his work as to anything else. During the real estate excitement in 1889 he took an active part and his lands northeast of the city were put in the market as an addition and the Fountain Lake hotel built in the center of the addition of that name.

Mrs. Hobson and several sons and daughters survive him but unfortunately all of them were not with him at the time of his death. One daughter lives in Trinidad and two of his sons are in the east.

SCHOFIELD AS A CANDIDATE.

A Possibility Against Which the Richmond State Vigorously Complains.

Richmond, Va., May 23.—The Richmond State tomorrow will say: "The intelligence that there is a move on foot at the Houston Confederate reunion to boom General Schofield for the democratic nomination for the presidency on the free silver ticket may or may not be true. For the credit of General Schofield it is to behoped the rumor is not true. It will be resented at once as impertinent, dishonoring and impious trafficking with a sacred cause if this first movement to gather Confederates in a great national non-political organization is debased into a sordid scheme to boom any man for a political office.

"If Speaker Crisp and his Georgia free silver combine have urged this gathering of ex-confederates for any such purpose they will hear a roar of indignation that will suggest that rebel yel lwhich told of determination to resist to the uttermost. They will learn that Confederates of the south are not ready to give their organization the low plane of a body of political candidate boomers. He was a chivalrous and honorable foe. But if he allows himself to be used this way he will fal lfrom the high place he now occupies in southern estimation."

DEATH OF SENATOR PEASE.

Fairplay, Colo., May 22.—George E. Pease, state senator from the fourteenth district, was found dead in bed about 5 o'clock this morning, at his home.

Mr. Pease has been more or less of an invalid for several years. He had been ailing for the past few days and death doubtless ensued from natural causes.

Mr. Pease leaves two sons and two daughters. Thomas, the younger son, is at home, "Gus," the elder, is in the law office of A. M. Stevenson at Denver.

Both daughters are in Chicago. Nora is a successful teacher, while Hattie is employed in one of the large music houses of the city. Mr. Pease was a widower, his wife having died about ten years ago. A brother, Stephen B. Pease, lives here.

THREE MEN MURDERED.

Wharton, Texas, May 25.—The bodies of the three murdered members of the Crocker family have been found lying upon the open prairie, about two miles from where the assassination occurred. All of them are full of bullet holes, especially that of Crocker.

There are now ten men under arrest. One man is said to be kept under close restraint by the officers, having made a full confession of the whole affair.