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WAR VETERAN FUNERAL.

The unconquerable enemy, death, is making rapid inroads in the ranks of the veterans of the war of 1861-65 and the ranks of G. A. R. are fast being thinned. Several have died here during the present month. Yesterday afternoon the funeral of John L. Kester, late sergeant company D, 40th Wisconsin infantry, was held at the mortuary rooms of McMahon & Collier. A large number of the comrades of the Grand Army, Woman's Relief corps and Ladies of the G. A. R. were in attendance. The beautiful and impressive funeral flag service of the Women's Relief corps and the Ladies of the G. A. R. were conducted by the ladies of the corps and the circles, followed by the Grand Army services conducted by Post Commander Colonel M. H. Fitch. Beautiful tributes of flowers from the Relief corps and circles of Cripple Creek and Pueblo rested on the casket.

Comrade J. C. Denny of J. W. Anderson Post 96, Cripple Creek, was called upon by Commander Fitch and said in part: "Comrades, I have been detailed by my post to be present here and thank the comrades for the kindness shown our late comrade, John L. Kester, who was an active and honorable member of post No. 96, Cripple Creek. It has been written by the poet that "The evil men do lives after them; the good is oft interred with their bones." There is not a member of the G. A. R. at Cripple Creek but will say that in the case of Comrade Kester, there was no evil to live after him, and each of them would bear testimony of the good he has done that will live in the hearts of his comrades while life lasts.

"Now that his lips are closed, theirs are opened and as one of their committee and their mouth-piece, I desire to say that Comrade John L. Kester was an honest, upright Grand Army man. He saw no evil, believed no evil. The good is all he observed. The mendicant, the poor, the oppressed, the unfortunate, from whatever cause, found in him a warm, firm friend.

"The members of his post believe that as his spirit yesterday morning wafted its way to the pearly gates, he heard the welcome words spoken by the Master 1900 years ago, 'Inasmuch as ye have done it unto the last of these, ye have also done it unto me. Enter the Kingdom of God.'

"G. A. R. men are called by the poet 'Brothers of the Flag.' This comrade was such in a double sense. His brother, Joe Kester, served throughout the civil war in the Fourth Wisconsin; and is now lying in the Soldier's home, suffering from old wounds. His son, L. C. Kester wears the uniform of his father in the Philippines as a soldier in the Third artillery U. S. A.

"So comrades you do well today honoring this comrade, and on behalf of J. W. Anderson post 96, of Cripple Creek, and his son, Frank Kester, present here, I thank you."

The remains were buried in the G. A. R. plot at Riverview cemetery.

It is best to prevent attacks of disease, particularly winter epidemics, by keeping the blood and system in a healthy condition. Hood's Sarsaparilla is just the medicine required.

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