Death of M. Crawford.

The announcement in the CHIEFTAIN of the death of Mr. Michael Crawford was received with general surprise and regret. It was known that he was suffering for several days past with kidney troubles, but not that he was so near death. He breathed his last at St. Mary's hospital about 11 o'clock night before last.

Mrs. Crawford was at the time on her way here from St. Joseph, Missouri. During the two years that her husband has been in Pueblo she has been here several times, and she was to have started yesterday to remain here, after closing a sale of her property in St. Joseph. Receiving a telegram two days ago, which informed her of Mr. Crawford's grave condition, she started at once, deferring the sale of the property. She arrived yesterday afternoon and was taken to the home of Mr. T. G. McCarthy before being informed of her husband's death. The poor lady broke down completely and is almost protrated with grief. Mr. Crawford had fitted up elegant rooms over his business house on Union avenue south, where they were to have resided.

The remains were enclosed in an elegant metallic casket and shipped to St. Joseph last night, Mrs. Crawford accompanying them on the same train. Her son Thomas was on the way here from St. Joseph, and was telegraphed yesterday to stop at Nickerson and go back with the train bearing his father's dead body. Thomas will return here after the funeral, and will arrive next Monday, until which time the business will remain in charge of Mr. Matt Bell.

Michael Crawford came to Pueblo two years ago, and was for a time in the produce business on the corner of Santa Fe avenue and Second street. At the time of his death he was close upon his fiftieth year. He was a native of County Clare, Ireland, and came to this country when a young man. He was very successful in business. Having located at St. Joseph, he carried on a large trade, and built up a valuable reputation. In 1874 he was elected as recorder of the county in which that city is located, and filled the office with satisfaction to all. In his death South Pueblo loses one of her most valued and esteemed citizens. He leaves an estimable wife and several sons to mourn his loss. Peace to his ashes.