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UNDERTAKING, A SPECIALTY.

Mt. Vernon, Iowa, 8th 24 1893.

My dear Will,

I had hoped for a letter this morning but was disappointed. I could not help feeling very sorry all day yesterday that you were not here with me. I had telegraphed for you. The funeral was at Uncle David's Wed. 23. at 10 A.M. Prof Boyd and Rev Harburt making remarks, Rev Brownie offered prayer. Horace and Ben Logan, Katie Kepler, and Jennie Fitch, sang very nicely. Arthur's came on the Evening Train Tuesday night. Papa, Arthur, Uncle David, and Fred acted as pall bearers. Willie is down, came for the funeral. John B. was coming to see to things yester-

day, but was called out in
the night, and could not come.
Gore's folks and Arthur's folks
came to our house from the
cemetery and were there to
determine the cause of death with
Grandma. She was breast poison-
ing. The kidneys stopped action,
and death came in about
forty eight hours. She was con-
scious until about fifteen
minutes before the end, about
three hours before death she
asked Aunt Mary to get me
an apron to put on, she could
not speak so you could under-
stand, without putting your
ear close to her mouth, but
she told her which one to
get for me, showing plainly
that she knew everything
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side and thought of many things in the past, I could still believe that in purpose and intent she meant to do right. I asked her a short time before the end if she was afraid to go. She opened her eyes wide, and in a little while said yes, I am not afraid while I stand by her. I felt I could truthfully say, all her faults I forgive as fully and freely as I hope to have my errors forgiven. There were a good many at the house and a long procession went its way slowly along the dusty road to the cemetery. Mr. Lock lined the grave very nicely and placed the marker in position.

I am so sorry you were not
here wish we had telegraphed
you. Fred and Nettie are to
be married Tuesday Oct 3.
I, P. M. very quiet & shy relation
they both say they hardly know
what to tell you, as you sent
but you are the best man
and you'll have to study up
yourself. Think you can find
some book that will give you
winners. Arthur's went on
the whale back to Milwaukee
Sunday, was at the Fair
Monday looked for you, but
saw nothing of you. Gus Bar-
man said he looked and
sighed for you a dozen
times, but missed you every
where. Why don't you write
a little often, it does seem
too bad not hear from you
for so long a time. Uncle Jim's
eyes trouble him, a good deal
I am afraid it is erysipelas.
All such love -
Ever aff-
brother

Letter to: C W Neff
From: Anna B. Neff (Mother)
Date: August 24, 1893
Death of Grandmother, Roxanne Kibble Neff

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