

TRENHOLM, WILLIAM GEORGE
1865-July 9, 1907

The community was shocked Tuesday afternoon when word was brought to town that Will Trenholm had been killed by lightning shortly after noon while at work on his farm east of town. Mr. Trenholm was irrigating a field of grain when he was struck, and death was instantaneous. Two workmen were in the field only a short distance away, but they were not injured in the least by the charge.

W.G. Trenholm was born in 1865 in Trenholm, Providence of Quebec, Canada, where he resided at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Trenholm, until he was 21 years of age. He took a three year course at the Francis college in Richmond, and afterwards, engaged in business for himself in Montreal.

In 1892, he moved west to Colorado on account of ill health, and later came to Wheatland, having resided at this place the last ten years.

Besides a sister, Miss K. Trenholm, who made her home with her brother for the past several years, the deceased is survived by three brothers, C.R. Trenholm of Elmwood, Nebraska, A. Trenholm of New York, and F.H. Trenholm, formerly of this place, but who now resides in Canada.

Funeral services were conducted at the Congregational church Wednesday afternoon at 2:30. The church was beautifully decorated with plants, and the floral offerings were many and beautiful, attesting to the high esteem the deceased was held. Rev. Butler spoke at length of the manly character, honest and upright life led by the deceased. The church was crowded with sorrowing friends who came to pay their last respects to their departed friend and neighbor, and the funeral cortege was one of the largest seen at this place. Interment was in the Wheatland cemetery.

Mr. Trenholm was one of the most successful farmers on the flats. He also made a great success in the sheep feeding industry. He moved to town last spring, intending to retire from active work on his farms, when his life was cut short by an unforeseen calamity.