

Death A Relief

To the Sufferings of Edward Rice, Well Known Citizen of Berne

Was Reared Here

Son of Mr. and Mrs. M. F. Rice of this City

A Model Young Man

Edward Rice, son of M. F. Rice of this city, who has been engaged as manager of the P. W. Smith saw mill at Berne for the past eight years, succumbed to the effects of a cancerous affection Sunday morning at 1:55 o'clock, after enduring the dread disease for nearly a year. Mr. Rice was reared in this city from boyhood and he was held in the highest esteem of all who knew him. He was always courteous and honest in all his dealings and his upright principles have made for him a multitude of staunch friends, who will be caused the most poignant sorrow from the news of his demise. Some eight years ago the deceased was called to Berne to take charge of the saw mill at that place, owned by P. W. Smith, and he has faithfully and efficiently discharged all his duties characteristic to this position. He was thoroughly acquainted with the lumber business and during the time he has had control of the Berne saw mill, he has handled the business as only an energetic and faithful worker could. About one year ago his throat began causing him trouble. he did not regard it as serious, and continued his work as usual until it became so noticeable that he was alarmed. A specialist was consulted and Dr. Bulson of that place performed an operation that did not afford relief from the total affection. Still in hopes of finding some one who could effect a cure, the young man went to Chicago and consulted several of the best specialists of that city, but without avail as none of them gave him any encouragement and he returned to await the death angel that was sure to come. Not until about two months ago did the deceased realize that death was inevitable, and since that time he has been content to leave his case with the Lord. As days went by he became weaker and weaker and weeks ago physicians stated that he could live but a few hours, but his constitution was remarkably strong and he survived longer than any one anticipated. The young wife and babe, twenty months' old, are joined by innumerable friends in their hour of bereavement. The funeral will be held from the Evangelical church at Berne tomorrow morning at 10:30 o'clock. Rev. Hartman will officiate, assisted by Rev. E. E. Bergman, of this city, after which the remains will be brought to this city and interment made in the Maplewood cemetery. The deceased was 28 years and seven months of age.