

OBITUARY.

James B. Cooper, eldest brother of T. J. and R. C. Cooper, died in Colorado Springs, Col., after an illness of some months, Monday, May 31, 1897. Mr. Cooper was born in Addison county, Vermont, near Shoreham, Sept. 30th, 1828. In 1832 his parents endowed with the sterling qualities of successful pioneers, sought with their family a home in the reluctant wilds of Michigan. Here his boyhood days were spent. When the father no longer needed the older boys he and his brother T. J. in 1856 started out for themselves first in northern Michigan, then in Minnesota. Four years later they found themselves in Colorado. Seven years later J. B. went to California where he has remained chiefly since that time, having a beautiful home in Alameda where his son still resides. A few months ago Mr. Cooper returned to Colorado to see if the climate would do, once more, what it had done for him before. But this time kind nature's restoratives, aided by the tender ministrations of relatives, were unavailing. He was laid away in the beautiful Evergreen cemetery at Colorado Springs, June 3d, 1897, by his sisters Mrs. Parmentier, Mrs. Geo. W. Barnard (once an esteemed resident of Griggs county) and his brother H. H. Cooper.

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