

**DEATH OF MRS. ELIZA STEELE**

**Pioneer Resident of Cooper County  
Died on Thanksgiving Morning  
at Home of John Muntzel**

The death of Mrs. Eliza Jane Steele, aged 80 years, widow of the late John A. Steele, occurred at the home of her daughter, Mrs. John C. Muntzel, 711 Sixth street, this city, at 1:20 o'clock Thanksgiving morning, November 30, 1922.

Funeral services were held at the Boonville Baptist church at 10 a. m., Saturday, Dec. 2, by the pastor, Rev. Francis E. Cooper, it being the 64th anniversary of her marriage. Interment was in the family lot in Walnut Grove cemetery.

The church was filled with friends and relatives to pay respect to Mrs. Steele who had been a resident of Boonville and Cooper county since her marriage, sixty-four years ago.

Mrs. Eliza Jane Steele was born in Howard County, Mo., October 5th, 1842. She was the youngest and last surviving member of a family of eight children. Her parents, Ephraim and Polly Batten were born in Culpepper county, Virginia, in 1799 and 1801 respectively, and settled in Howard county, Missouri, about the year 1813. They both lie buried at Clarks Chapel cemetery in Howard county.

Mrs. Steele in early life became connected with the Methodist church. She was married to John A. Steele of Cooper county, Mo., Dec. 2, 1858, at New Franklin, Mo., with whom she happily lived until his demise Jan. 13 1917. They had born to them ten children, five sons and five daughters, seven of whom survive and were present at the funeral, as follows: John T. Steele of Webb City, Mo., Mrs. Margaret Toler, Boonville; Mrs. J. E. Rennison, Boonville, Mrs. U. T. Toler, Columbia, Mo., William H. Steele of Otterville, Mo., Charles E. Steele of Blackwater, Mo., and Mrs. John C. Muntzel with whom she made her home. She also leaves sixteen grandchildren and eleven great grand children.

In the spring of 1867 the family moved to their late residence, six miles south of Boonville. Soon after their removal there she and her husband became connected with the newly organized Baptist church of New Oxford, now Mt. Herman, of which they remained earnest members to the time of their deaths.

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**ROY WILLIAMS TO HEAR SUIT**

**Boonville Attorney Is Agreed Upon  
by Seyler and Haley to Try  
Case**

With the selection of Roy D. Williams, of Boonville, as special judge to sit in the contest of Nike G. Seyler against Sam Haley for prosecuting attorney of Cole county, it is expected a recount of the ballots will start on December 6, after which time testimony in the case will be taken, and it is believed Mr. Williams will complete the case before January 1.

The names of former Congressman D. W. Shackelford of Jefferson City, Richard Embry, of California, and Mr. Williams were submitted to attorneys for Mr. Haley by Mr. Seyler's attorneys.