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COOLEY, ELIZA (HICKMAN) (PARKER)

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Eliza Hickman was born in Cape May County, New Jersey, on April 5, 1844. She was the second daughter of Peter S. and Deborah (Ingersoll) Hickman. She had nine brothers and sisters named Dannelia, Sarah, Henrietta, Richard, John J., Marietta, Emma, Adelaide, and Minnie.

Eliza Hickman came to Sauk Centre in 1862 with her parents who had first settled at Nininger, Dakota County, Minnesota when they came west. The trip from Nininger to Sauk Centre was made by ox-team, taking eight days and nights to complete the journey. Her father, Peter S. Hickman was ill during the entire journey.

After coming to Sauk Centre, Eliza Hickman was employed in sewing for Doctor Parker's family in the stockade.

On March 27, 1864, Eliza Hickman was united in marriage to N. S. Parker, a soldier in Company B. Eight Minnesota Regiment. After being mustered out of the army he operated a business at Osakis, Minnesota.

On July 17, 1867, while N. S. Parker and two other men were trying to reach Sauk Centre from Osakis by following a freshet in a boat, all were drowned.

N. S. Parker and Eliza (Hickman) Parker had one son, Charles Parker.

Eliza (Hickman) Parker was married on December 23, 1868 to William Parker, who was a brother of her first husband. William Parker died in the South. There is one living daughter, Mrs. V. L. Burgess of Sauk Centre who maiden name was Ivy Parker.

On August 28, 1887, Eliza (Hickman) Parker married William B. Cooley who died on March 1, 1897.

Eliza (Hickman) (Parker) Cooley lived with her daughter, Mrs. V. L. Burgess for several years before her death on April 11, 1934. She is buried in Greenwood Cemetery.

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FROM THE RECORDS IN THE STEARNS COUNTY COURT HOUSE
FOR THE ELIZA(HICKMAN) (PARKER) COOLEY BIOGRAPHY

MARRIAGE RECORD BOOK J. PAGE 326

William B. Cooley and Eliza H. Parker

Married at Glenwood August 28, 1887

By: Rev. W. H. Scott

Witnesses: Elizabeth Scott and Mary C. Scott

MARRIAGE RECORD BOOK A. PAGE 47 #85

Newton S. Parker and Eliza H. Hickman

Married at Sauk Centre on March 27th, 1864

By: D. B. Anderson

Witnesses: B. F. Buck and L. E. Tubbs

DEATH RECORD BOOK 1 PAGE 24 LINE 642

Eliza H. Cooley Died April 11, 1934

Born April 5, 1844 in New Jersey

Daughter of Peter Hickman and Debra Ingersoll

Age 90 years 6 days