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well known horses owned and run by Mr. White were "Joe Cannon" and "John W." About a year ago, when forced to do so because of ill health, Mr. White disposed of his stables and returned to this city where he had since remained.

During the long years he had followed the races, Mr. White had come to know the names of all of the prominent race horse trainers, the stables to which they were attached and the owners of the stables.

On March 6, 1871, Mr. White was

united in marriage at Peoria, Ill., to Mary E. Worthen, of this city. Following their marriage they continued to reside in Peoria, where Mr. White conducted a grocery. Prior to that time he had owned and operated other businesses. In 1881 they moved to this city, where they opened a rooming and boarding house. Mrs. White at the present is owner of the White Hotel, in east Water street.

Until the past year Mr. White had been absent from the city practically all of the time. Between race meets he would return for short intervals. His many years in his cherished business had taught him the characteristics of humanity as well as of horses and extremely interesting it was to sit and converse for an hour or so with "the race horse man." The barrier is down for Jake White, but his memory will endure.

Mr. White was a member of the Methodist church and of the Masonic lodge. Funeral services will be conducted Sunday afternoon from the late home in east Water street, at 2 o'clock, in charge of Rev. L. W. Kemper, pastor of the local Methodist church. Burial will be made in the L. O. O. F. cemetery.

Mr. White was one of a family of six children, all of whom preceded him in death. Besides the wife he is survived by two sisters-in-law.

Friday, October

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Nieces and nephews:
Walter and Ed Reed, and
Lucile Worthen, Mary
all of this city; Mrs.
man and Fred O. Reed,
Charles O. Reed, of
Cal.; Mrs. Edith Criss
Green, O.; Fred Worthen,
Jacob Worthen, of Day
Worthen, of Memphis;
Mrs. Mable Haws, of

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