

Mary Florence (Flickinger) Eckerd, (23 Sep 1883 – 11 Mar 1913), Newspaper Clipping, The Perry Historians

Mary Florence, beloved wife of **Frank R. Eckard**, of this place (New Bloomfield), died at 10:30 o'clock Tuesday morning of this week from brain fever. She had been ill nearly two weeks. From the first her condition was serious and while all hoped and prayed that she might recover yet life gradually ebbed away, she lying in a comatose condition for the past three days.

The deceased was a daughter of **L.H.C.** and **Susan E. (Kretzing) Flickinger** and was born in Juniata Township, Perry County. At her death she was aged 29 years, 5 months, and 18 days. With her parents she came to this place in 1894 where she has since resided.

November 6, 1902, she was joined in wedlock to **Frank R. Eckerd**, by Rev. J. Thomas Fox. From this union there survived along with her bereft husband, the following children; **Sarah Geraldine**, **Mary E.**, **Frank Raymond**, and **George Hiram**. There also survive her stricken parents and the following brothers and sisters; **Mrs. Minnie M. Anderson**, of this place; **John J. Flickinger**, of Chicago Ill.; **Miles H. Flickinger**, of Duncannon; **Nevin W. Flickinger**, and **Mrs. Margaret Leiter**, of Allentown, Pa.

Mrs. Eckerd became a member of the Lutheran church in early girlhood and lived a consistent Christian life. Skilled in instrumental music, especially on the organ, for a number of years prior to her marriage she was the organist in her church. He was a devoted wife and fond and loving mother and kind and thoughtful neighbor. Her four sweet little children were her pride and it is extremely sad that she has been parted from them.

Funeral services were held at her last home Friday morning at 10:30 o'clock. Rev. W.J. Wagner, her pastor will officiate. Interment in the cemetery at this place.