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**Edward A. Garvey**

Edward A. Garvey was born May 28th, 1866 at Credit River where he was raised and attended school. He was a graduate of the Mankato State Teachers and a member of the debating team. He also graduated from the Minneapolis Business College and the Globe Business College of St. Paul. He taught school for fifteen years in Dakota, Brown and Scott counties, teaching his last year at Savage. He started business in Savage the first of May 1904 where he remained for thirty-five years. This building had been moved to Savage from Burnsville after the church had been burned. This building was built on the site of the building which the James boys visited on their way to Northfield. Mr. Garvey was Postmaster for fifteen years from 1906 to 1921. He was married September 29, 1914 to Gertude Truman. To this union was born one daughter, Maristella who is following in her father's footsteps having graduated also from the Mankato Teachers College and is now teaching. Father and daughter both studied under the same teacher in Mathematics, Miss Alice Robbins. Edward Garvey was a devoted husband and father. He and his child taught together in play and later helping his daughter when she taught. He had a marvelous memory being able to recite Scott's "Lady of the Lake" in its entirety, also "Snowbound" and "Evangeline". Although devoted to his family he found plenty of time to shoulder the responsibilities of the community that is every good citizen's duty. He served as town treasurer and chairman of the school board. He was paymaster for the elevators for many years. His townspeople found him kind, generous and always ready to help out those in trouble. Mr. Gar-

vey was a genius of the sort needed in every community, seeking not honor for self but that which was best for the community, quietly doing his duties, using his energy for the good of all. He passed away at his home July 5 and was buried July 7th in Credit River.