

# MR. MUNDY CLAIMED BY DEATH LAST NIGHT

Pioneer Citizen and City Builder  
Dies Here

## DEATH WAS DUE TO PARALYSIS

Sketch of a Life Full of Activity, Endeavor  
and Achievement—How He Helped  
Build El Paso

H. M. Mundy, one of the old pioneers of El Paso, passed away yesterday morning at 8:15 at his home on Mundy Heights, at the age of 63 years. His death came as a shock to his family and friends, who believed he was on the high road to recovery from a recent paralytic stroke brought on from physical exhaustion.

The deceased was born at Conasauga, N. Y., in 1843. While he was still a boy in his teens his father moved the family to Kansas, where the deceased learned the cattle business. When 25 years of age, in 1877, Mr. Mundy came to El Paso and made this his permanent home, though his business operations for years were confined to Mexico.

Mr. Mundy, while seeing the future of El Paso, went to Guadalajara and from that point began shipping into Mexico fine horses, and he sold to the aristocracy of Mexico City the first fine thoroughbred horses introduced into that country. He interested the Mexican breeders in thoroughbred stock, and after selling the wealthy citizens of Mexico City all the fine carriage and breeding horses he could induce them to buy, he began the introduction of thoroughbred cattle, and was responsible for the many herds of thoroughbred cattle now to be found in that country.

Possessed of all the qualifications necessary to achieve success, Mr. Mundy was always successful. At one time he owned vast ranges in Mexico. But he did not want to stay in that country. He was an American who loved his native land. Some 20 years ago he returned to El Paso long enough to invest in considerable real estate, then considered worthless.

Mr. Mundy believed that El Paso would some day become a great city and he believed that the select residential district of the city would be the heights to the northwest of the business district of El Paso.

When H. M. Mundy first placed Mundy Heights on the market as a desirable residence district, he was laughed at by real estate agents who loudly proclaimed that there was plenty of room for El Paso without blasting out mountains.

But the secret of H. M. Mundy's success was that when he placed his hand to the plough he never looked back or hesitated, but went straight ahead. He was a man of inflexible determination. While the real estate dealers smiled H. M. Mundy went ahead spending thousands of dollars hewing out the mountainside—the present site of the prettiest homes in El Paso. When he laid off Mundy Heights he joined with his brothers—owners of Sunset Heights—in donating to the city a beautiful park lying between the two additions.

H. M. Mundy was a worker, a creator, and he asked no man to share his responsibility. He loved work and he never doubted his own business judgment, and no man ever heard him whine when closely pressed. His was a positive, active nature. He was a superb citizen—a man who did things and dreamed still greater things. He was a powerful and most useful influence in the building of El Paso. He believed from the first El Paso would be a great city and he built up here a handsome fortune.

El Paso will sadly miss H. M. Mundy for he was always ready to contribute of his means to advance all public enterprises, and he spent his money to develop every part of the city. He died owning considerable land in the lower and upper valleys.

The deceased leaves a widow and six children. The children are Mrs. D. P. Stewart, Mrs. C. A. Kinkel, Miss Clara Mundy, and Will Mundy of El Paso, and Robert S. and Chas. E. Mundy of Mexico City, J. J. and L. I. Mundy of El Paso, and Mrs. W. H. Earl of Newton, Kansas.

The funeral will be conducted from the Episcopal church this afternoon at 3:30 o'clock, and as the deceased did not belong to any lodge the El Paso Pioneers will have charge of the funeral.