

MET DEATH IN SOLITUDE

W. A. DICKEY FOUND DEAD IN
HIS HOUSE SUNDAY
AFTERNOON.

THE INQUEST FOLLOWS IMMEDIATELY

He Apparently Died From Natural
Causes Sunday, April 2,
While Eating.

The body of W. A. Dickey was found lying on the floor of his house Sunday afternoon. The neighbors noticed that he had not been seen during the day and notified his nephew, Mike Garrigan, who entered the house. The body was lying upon one side on the floor and his knees were clasped around the legs of the dining table which was spread for a meal.

Coroner Parrish was notified and R. G. Coutts, B. W. Ruff and S. J. Porter were summoned as a jury. Mail had accumulated at the door since April 3rd, and there was an unfinished letter to his brother dated April first. The doctor gave the cause of the death as heart failure and the verdict of the jury was that W. A. Dickey died from natural causes Sunday, April 2nd.

He was a man of a naturally retiring disposition and, since the death of his wife in October 1909, he had lived a more secluded life than ever. For some time he has been working for A. A. Foster on the farm through the week so that his absence was not noticed until the next Sunday.

William Andrew Dickey was born in Searsburg, Maine, March 16, 1840. He was married to Helen M. Black on the 26th day of October 1862 and moved to Grinnell, where the rest of the family had preceded him a few years before. He has not lived here continually since then as he moved to Corning, returning in 1884. The funeral services are this afternoon at the undertaking rooms of Kibby and Benson, commencing at four o'clock. Prof. Parker, an almost life long friend of the family officiated and the burial is at Hazelwood.

The life which closed so suddenly was one that was filled with sorrows. Of the six children born to Mr. and Mrs. Dickey, one lived to be 12 years of age the rest died in infancy. Their most intimate friend never heard them speak of the children that they had lost.

G. W. Dickey came from Cedar Falls to make the arrangements for his brother's burial. Another brother, J. P. Dickey, lives at Mackey, Idaho, and two sisters, Miss Sarah Dickey, of Cedar Falls, and Mrs. Maria H. Clark, of Binghampton, N. Y., are still living.

His friends remember that he was the man who first noticed the outbreak of the great fire in 1889. He was then employed at what is now the Farmers' Elevator, where he worked for Baker & Treat for sixteen years.

Although few really feel that they knew Mr. Dickey, those who did vouch for his unimpeachable honesty and other sterling qualities.