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DR. THOS. HOLYOKE.

(FROM A COLLATED EULOGY.)
DIED.—In Grinnell, on the 10th inst., Dr. Thos. Holyoke. Aged 59.

No news could have fallen upon the citizens of this place with more startling effect than the announcement, on Saturday morning last, that Dr. Thos. Holyoke has been struck down with a stroke of paralysis. On Friday night he retired in his usual health. About 1 o'clock in the morning he remarked to his wife that he was having a severe headache. At 6 he got up and built a fire in a room adjoining his bedroom. As he returned to complete his dressing he remarked to Mrs. Holyoke, "I think I am going to be paralyzed," and fell forward, but saved himself by catching hold of the back of a chair. His family assisted him to bed and summoned a physician who, on his arrival, found the left side completely paralyzed.

His physicians think the immediate cause of his death was cerebral hemorrhage.

The funeral services were held in the Congregational Church, Monday afternoon. No such sad assemblage has ever gathered in this town to do honor to the memory of the dead. The church was filled to its utmost, and hundreds went away unable to gain entrance. At the suggestion of Mayor Hatch the business houses and shops were closed from one in the afternoon until after the services were over. The public schools were also closed and recitations at the College suspended. The exercises at the church were conducted by Hon. J. B. Grinnell and Dr. Magoun.

Mr. Grinnell's remarks were as follows:

No living name is so truly blended with the history of this town, or none more honorable. He filled the

first tree for a rude cabin in yonder grove, and reared earliest the home of comfort on this prairie. Being (not by his own seeking), our County Surveyor, he marked out our streets and fixed the boundaries and landmarks of our farms with unquestioned skill and integrity; and a counselor to the troubled and the poor man's friend he ever was. For the young, he was a Sabbath School Superintendent, an instructor and leader of the church choir in song. Education had no warmer or more intelligent friend than he. He was for years President of the Board of the Literary Fund of Grinnell University. A Trustee since the removal of Iowa College to Grinnell, for years at the head of the Executive Committee, and an able lecturer on physiology and health before the students.

He donated the right of way for a R. R. from the East through his homestead that now joins the two oceans, and gave his thousands in the second largest subscription to build the Central R. R. of Iowa.

In tree-planting and fruit-growing, making long, weary journeys for the rarest standards, he was the pioneer, and an example in home decoration as evinced by his tasteful residence and grounds, where for him

The aroma of flowers in his beautiful conservatory and the companionship of books were more esteemed than the praises of men.

In the personal history of our friend and family we all have a melancholy interest. Thomas Holyoke was born in the year 1818, in Brewer, Maine, and had he lived a little more than another month would have been 59 years of age. He studied at Bangor Seminary, and graduated in medicine at Harvard University, practising his profession at Surrey and Searsport, Me., seven years, and at the latter place five

years, where he was most happily married to Miss Clark. Their eldest son was the first child now living brought to the town, and their second son, deceased, being the first death in the circle of the young. Three sons yet remain, one at the Medical College at Chicago, one a student at Iowa College, and another at our Public School.

SYNOPSIS OF DR. MAGOUN'S REMARKS.

Dr. Magoun began by saying that the circles which had been particularly referred to were not the only ones in which Dr. Holyoke's death would be felt as a great loss—the afflicted family, the large circle of friends, the business men,—the closing of whose places of business and their respectful and sorrowful attendance testified to their sense of his worth,—the members of multitudes of families in which he had re-