Mrs. Mary Magrath

Resident of Grinnell since 1869. Passed
Away at the Age of 89

Years.

Mary Fowler was born in 1830 at the age of eighteen months at
torial. County South, Ireland. At the age of eight she
was married to Peter Magrath and immediately moved to Grinnell. In 1855 the
she was widowed. He was a native of
County Meath, Ireland.

For about a half a century Mrs. Magrath has been a resident of Grinnell, interested in its development, its people and its progress. Having a keen
interest in education, she was interested in our public schools and worked and sacrificed to give her children a good education. She taught them to love and reverence the Holy Church and were given all the help a loyal and true
heart could give.

She has lived a useful life and passed away on November 7, 1919, after an illness of two weeks, during which her
life's work had been accomplished. Mrs. Magrath was always cheerful and kind and generous and her neighbors
reverenced in kind and watched her with a friendly interest as she grew older, solicitous that no misfortune should befall her.

Always in robust health she lived actively and retained her strength until her last illness came, two weeks before death. Kind neighbors quickly
notified her illness and summoned her daughters who came and cared for her withinal tenderness until the end came.

The funeral services were held Saturday at ten o'clock at the Catholic Church, conducted by Rev. M. J. Manci
n. A good company of friends
were present to pay their respects to a departed friend. Bearers were: Rev. Lewis, P. F. Garrigan, Bernard Kennedy, R. W. Thackeray, Dan Donahue and
Wm. Keenan.

The three living children were all
present during her illness and death; Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Johnson of Des Moines; Mr. and Mrs. Ed. Wescarver of
dell, Plaine, and Mr. and Mrs. A. P.
Magrath of Des Moines. Her eldest
son Ed., who held a fine position with
an Ottawa packing house, was acciden
tally killed twelve years ago.

The writer's acquaintance with this
kindly woman dates back more than
40 years. Her cheerful smile, her gra
cious kindness and good cheer will always be remembered with gratitude and respect. She loved the best in life
and never forgot the duty and blessed
ness of kindness. She did what she
could to make life brighter and scat
tered sunlight all around her.

Card of Thanks.

To the many good friends that our
mother has had during her long residence here in Grinnell, and to those
who have been so thoughtful and kind
during the last few weeks, we wish to
extend our heartfelt appreciation.

MRS. WM. T. JOHNSON.

MRS. ED. WESCARVER.

PHOENIX MAGRATH.