

PIONEER OF COUNTY IS DEAD

11-24-1925
John Henry Stanley Passes Away
After a Long and Useful
Life.

HAD MADE HOME IN COUNTY FOR 74 YEARS

Came Only Three Years After County
Was Organized — Funeral Was
Held Saturday.

John Henry Stanley, son of John T. and Mary Beber Stanley, was born in Miami county, Ohio, July 21, 1838, and died at the home of his daughter, Mrs. Clarence Main, November 19, 1925, aged 87 years, 3 months and 28 days. He came with his parents to Iowa in 1851 and was married to Cornelia Ann Reid March 11, 1860.

To this union were born seven children, two sons and five daughters, one daughter dying in infancy on August 9, 1914. The wife and mother passed away and on Feb. 7, 1924, Mary F. Stanley Stilwell died at Lincoln, Neb., leaving to mourn his loss, C. L. and R. H. Stanley and Mrs. Clarence Main of Grinnell, Ms. David Miller of New Sharon and Mrs. Jeff Gordon of Oskaloosa, and a large number of relatives and friends.

Funeral services were held Saturday from the Friends church at Searsboro, conducted by Rev. W. P. Robertson, an old neighbor and friend of the family.

By the death of Mr. Stanley Poweshiek county has lost one of its oldest settlers as he had made his home in the county 74 years, coming here only three years after the county was organized. The first school he attended in the county was taught by two of the neighbors taking week about and donating their time. He has lived to see Poweshiek County transformed from a wilderness to its present status.

In his younger days he always took an active part in building up the community in which he lived and was always willing to bear his share of the burdens. He served as township clerk and for many years as township assessor and as secretary of the school board. He always took an active and helpful interest in the schools. He is gone but his influence still lives. We believe the world was made better by his having lived in it.