

J. C. STOCKS IS DEAD

3-16-1920
Wellknown Grinnell Man Passed
Away at His Home in This City
G-H On Sunday.

HAS LIVED A BUSY LIFE AMONG HIS BEES

Was Official Weather Observer for
Grinnell—Interment Was Made
In Nashua.

John Cyrus Stocks was born near Freeport, Ill., July 8, 1851, and died at Grinnell, Iowa, Sunday, March 14, 7:00 p. m. With his father's family he moved to Chickasaw county, Iowa, in 1854, and grew up in the joys and privations of a pioneer prairie home. He was a school teacher for thirty years, inspiring many young people with the desire for an education. In 1886 in Nashua, Iowa, he began bee keeping, and removed in 1901 to Grinnell to educate his daughter in Grinnell College.

He was married to Effie Potter, March 17, 1878. Of their three children only one survives, Mrs. John Eighme. He was converted when a child and joined the Baptist church, afterward joining the Congregational church at Nashua. In Grinnell he was an active and faithful member in the First Congregational church.

The direct cause of his illness was an injury to his heart caused by an attack by a vicious steer which had entered his apiary.

He leaves a wife, one daughter, Mrs. John Eighme, Pomona, Missouri, and three grandchildren. One brother, Z. T. Stocks, of Buffalo, Wyoming, and a sister, Mrs. Ellen Stone, of Beaver Dam, Wisconsin, survive him.

After a brief service in the home he was taken to Nashua, Iowa, where he was laid to rest beside his children in the cemetery near the "Little Brown Church in the Vale."

Mr. Stocks was a man of blameless life, who lived his span of days in the joy of his home and of useful service. He had been for some time official weather observer for Grinnell. To all that he did he brought painstaking effort and he did his work in the world unobtrusively but well.