

—FAMILY CONCERN, ETC.—  
6-4 TWO PIONEERS GONE. 30-1877

John Ware was born at Ring's Ash, Devonshire, England, June 13, 1830, and died at Grinnell, Iowa, January 30, 1899, aged 68 years, 7 months, 17 days.

In his 21st year he came to this country and settled at Stafford, Genesee Co., New York.

Rebecca Rudd was born at Burrington, Devonshire, England, May 29, 1828, and died at Grinnell, January 30, 1899. They were married at Stafford, N. Y., August 26, 1854. They resided there till 1856, when they came to Iowa and settled at Durant, Cedar Co., Iowa. There were born in this family, two daughters and four sons of whom three sons died in early childhood. There survive two daughters, Ellen Rebecca and Alice Rudd and one son, Judge John D. Ware, now of Omaha, Nebraska. The son became a student in Iowa College in 1880 and graduated in the class of '86. Alice R. also graduated from the musical department the same year.

In '82 the family came to Grinnell where they have since resided.

At Durant the parents united with a Methodist church worshiping near their home. Here they became members of the Congregational church, their children also uniting upon confession of faith. Here they have lived since '82 having many friends but no kindred near.

The end of life came to each last Monday, the father passing away in the early morning and the mother in the evening. After living together nearly forty-five years their experience was that which many a happily married couple might wish for themselves, that in death they were not divided. One burial service was held at their late home and kind friends deposited their remains side by side in one grave at the cemetery.

Two children, of a brother deceased from Walnut, Iowa, a son and a daughter, arrived in time to attend the funeral, the only relatives from abroad.

The mother had been a patient invalid for several years and thus prevented from mingling much in society. The father's health had been failing for two years.

Although living near each other in England they had not met till they reached this country.

There with such capital as birds have when mated in the springtime they united their fortunes and built their home and by industry, economy and with God's blessing they secured a competence which they were permitted to enjoy in their declining years.

Their united lives averaged a little over the allotted span of three score and ten years. One a little less, the other somewhat over.

These good people will be greatly missed. It is not easy to estimate the change it was for them to leave their home in merry old England and come to these then western wilds, mostly unbroken prairie.

So they have passed on before us from the membership of the church, the fellowship of the community here, the citizenship of their adopted country to join the church triumphant above to dwell in a city which has foundations whose maker and builder is God to be we trust in the presence where there is fullness of joy at his right hand, where there are pleasures forever more.

I am requested to tender the sincere thanks of the family for the many kindnesses shown and offered in this time of their double bereavement.

The funeral was held at the late home yesterday at 2:30 o'clock conducted by Prof. S. J. Buck. The music was by J. C. Walker, O. F. Parish, Mrs. Heidel and Miss Wheelock. Kind friends bore the remains to the grave, for the father, B. P. Ransom, J. E. Neely, C. F. Childs, J. M. Dawson, S. A. Cravath and E. S. Bartlett. For the mother, R. C. Ross, W. O. Willard, G. L. Sanders, G. H. Hamlin, H. P. Proctor and A. Ford.