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2-6-1912

E. A. Wheeler, a resident of Poweshieck county for nearly forty years, died at his home in Montezuma on Sunday of last week, of paralysis, after a long illness. He settled near Malcom in 1873. During the Civil War Mr. Wheeler was a member of Company I, 64th Illinois Infantry, and marched with Sherman to the sea. At the last battle of the war, at Bentonsville, North Carolina, he was taken prisoner and confined in Libby Prison, at Richmond, Va., for a time tortu- nately rendered short by the close of the war. He was reported killed at the time he was taken prisoner and was mourned as dead until he reached home after his discharge. Mr. Wheel- er was a loyal member of the G. A. R. and served for two terms as command- er of the Montezuma post. He was on- of the most enthusiastic in the build- ing of the G. A. R. Memorial Hall at the county seat in 1883. He had been for 22 years a member of the Monte- zuma lodge of Knights of Pythias and that organization attended his funeral in a body.