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OBITUARY.

H. D. WORKS

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H. D. Works who died at his home in this city Monday afternoon of apoplexy, was born in Connecticut, Dec. 1, 1833 and so was seventy four years old at the time of his death. He was married to Miss Juliette Phelps who came here with her parents when the town was but one year old. During their long residence here Mr. Works has taken a prominent part in the business affairs of the city, having been one of the organizers of the Merchants' National bank and one of its directors until within a few months when he resigned on account of ill health.

Mr. Works' more than forty years residence in Grinnell won for him the honor of all who learned his worth. His words were few and candid, quietly uttered, and there was occasion for emphatic words when he used them and they were never profane.

His first business venture here was in the principal hotel, then in a meat market and later as director of the Merchants National Bank and in the management of city property in partnership with Mr. Lewis Cass. The partnership was eminently honorable. No two men were ever thrown by business into closer daily contact. They had their gains and their losses together such as often bring disarrangements and alienations but their mutual respect and friendship ripened steadily throughout their twenty four years together. The survivor finds no words too strong for the expression of his appreciation of his late partner's manliness and integrity. Their business ventures have been highly successful and the deceased left his business affairs in excellent condition.

Those who knew him best in the earlier days here recall the fact that no honorable applicant for supplies from his meat market ever sought them in vain although he often anticipated no recompense for them—a fact which reveals the man. Particularly in later years he took great interest in the collegestudents, especially at their sports and his figure was a familiar one at all athletic contests on Ward Field.

Mr. Works never thrust his opinions on others but when occasion demanded he could utter the sharpest rebuke to one who was disloyal to the town, the state or nation. His long life here was marked by no questionable or dishonorable acts.

Funeral services were held at the late residence on north Park St. Wednesday afternoon at half past two conducted by Prof. L. P. Parker.