
* OBITUARY *
* 8-18-1914 *

John B. Bryan.

John Bradshaw Bryan was born June 21, 1835, near Schaghticoke, Rensselaer county, New York. He came to Davenport, Iowa, in 1856. In 1858 he was married in Davenport to Mary L. Nutting, who died July 26, 1866. He followed farming until 1885, when he moved to Grinnell.

In Grinnell he has been active in many good things. For fifteen years he was justice of the peace, performing the duties of the office with credit and honor. He was township clerk and constable for many years, and served six years as overseer of the poor, always faithful, competent and honorable. Those who knew him testify to his worth as a man, an official and a neighbor. He was a strong and capable man in everything he undertook, fulfilling well every duty of a citizen and a friend.

He lived in the same location, 704 First Ave., for a great many years. Always pleasant, genial and accommodating and ready to do anything that would benefit the neighborhood, he was universally liked. He was a very active man and will be missed by many friends who have seen him pass to and from his business for a great many years.

For the last two years his health has been failing and began to fail rapidly about two weeks before his death. He passed quietly away at 3:30 o'clock on the afternoon of Tuesday, August 11, aged 79 years, 1 month and 21 days. About twenty minutes before the end he recognized the loved ones gathered at his bedside and then lapsed into unconsciousness from which he never rallied.

Rev. J. M. Brown conducted the funeral Thursday afternoon from the home of J. B. Bryan, Jr.

Mr. Bryan is survived by four children, G. A., now in the west, Charles, J. B. Jr., and Mrs. P. K. Cardinell, of Chicago. All except G. A. Bryan, the oldest son, were present when the end