John M. Essex, aged 54 years and 9 months, died at the home of his daughter, Mrs. Chas. M. Ross, one and three-quarters miles northeast of Grinnell. Ia., on March 2, at 10:45 p. m., of a complication of diseases.

He was born near Millersburgh, Mercer county, Ill., on May 2, 1861. He was the son of James and Jane Essex.

When about six years of age he moved with his parents to Iowa, settling near Searsboro.

He was married April 8, 1887, to Miss Nora M. Boyle of Chicago, Ill. He has been in the west the past seven years and had returned to the home of his daughter for a visit.

He is survived by his widow, one daughter, Mrs. Chas. M. Ross, and one son, George Essex. One daughter is dead. There is one granddaughter, Margaret Ross, also two brothers, Mr. Thomas Essex of Mason City, Ia., and Joseph Essex of New Sharon, Ia., and three sisters., Mrs. Mary Hampton of Aledo, Ill., Mrs. Sadie Reynolds of Hedrick, Ia., Mrs. Maggie See of Crook, Colo.

Those who attended the funeral from out of town were his wife, Mrs. Nora Essex of Chicago, III.; Thomas Essex and daughter, Mrs. Dan Dwan of Mason City, Ia.; Joe Essex, wife and daughter Lucy of New Sharon, Ia.; Mrs. Will Hampton of Aledo, III.; Mrs. Frank Reynolds of Hedrick, Ia.; Mrs. Chas. See of Crook, Colo.; Mr. Frank Hasley of Searsboro, Ia.; Michael McGinn of Grinnell.

The funeral was held Monday, March 6, from the Catholic church in Grinnell, Ia., Rev. Father Hannon, paster of the church, reading high mass.

He was laid to rest in the Catholic cometery in Grinnell.