ANOTHER PIONEER GONE

Mrs. J. W. Fudge Passes Away at the Age of Seventy-Nine

ONE OF THE FIRST SETTLERS,
IN JASPER COUNTY

A Good Woman Over Seventy-Five Years in Iowa Goes to Her Reward.

Thursday word went out that Mrs. J. W. Fudge had passed away.

Ann Highland was born in Springfield, Ill., Oct. 31, 1839. She came to Iowa with her parents and settled in Davis county till the territory of which Jasper county was a part was opened for settlement.

The Highland family moved to Jasper county and settled on their homestead in the spring of 1843 near where Monroe now stands. They were the first family to settle in the county and for the first few months their only neighbors were the Indians who were friendly and obliging. Here she grew to womanhood.

She was married to James W. Fudge, March 20, 1866. To this union were born four children, Vista J. Baker of Searsboro, John R. of Miller, South Dakota, Lulie E. Robertsen of Havelock, Nebraska, and William Thomas who resides on the home farm.

She leaves beside her aged companion to mourn her loss 13 grandchildren, one great-grandchild, two sisters, one being with her at the time of her death, and two brothers, besides numerous friends and relatives. Her last sickness was without suffering and she fell asleep to wake in a brighter and better world where God says "Well done thou good and faithful servant, come up higher."

She passed away Sept. 12, 1918, at the age of 78 years, 10 months and 11 days. At the time of her death she had lived in the state more than 75 years. She had lived on the same farm in Sugar Creek township for nearly 50 years and was not only one of the few remaining first settlers of Jasper county, but one of the oldest settlers of the state. She had passed through all the privations incident to pioneer life, that help cut and carve the way for greater development.

Her father was a member of the Old School Presbyterians and she was reared under that influence and has always clung to that faith.

The funeral was held at the house Sunday afternoon, Sept. 15, conducted by Rev. Mr. Beebe, pastor of the Presbyterian church at New Sharon. The choir from Searsboro rendered "Beautiful Isle of Somewhere," "Rock of Ages" and "We Shall Meet Beyond the River."

Interment in the Friends' cemetery at New Sharon. Here we laid her, to rest till the Great Judgment Day when all they that are in their graves shall hear the voice of the Lord and shall come forth.

Those who attended the funeral from a distance were: John R. Fudge and wife, of Miller, South Dakota: Lutie E. Robertsen and son, Russell, of Havelock, Nebraska; John R. Highland, a brother, and Frank Mortimore, a nephew, from Linden, Iowa; John Dawson, of Monroe, and Oscar Woody and wife of Newton, Iowa.

Card of Thanks.

We wish to thank those who so kindly aided us in any way during the sickness and burial of our beloved wife and mother.

JAMES W. FUDGE, VISTA J. BAKER, JOHN R. FUDGE, LULIE E. ROBERTSEN, THOMAS FUDGE.