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—Mr. Joseph Hall, who died over a week ago at the home of his daughter, Mrs. John Faircloth, was one of the earliest settlers in this county. He was born in Butler county, Ohio, in 1816; he came to Jefferson county in '43, and in '45 came up into this county—three years before it was organized. In what is now Union township, three miles west of Montezuma, he purchased a piece of land. On this he afterwards built the first frame house constructed in the county. He lived here, honored and respected, a long period of years, always living a christian life. For a short time he lived in Deep River and for a time in New Sharon. At the latter place his wife died three years ago. Since then his home has been with his daughter, near town. Fifty-one years is a long time to live in the same locality, but few have exceeded that period in Poweshiek. Among the few is J. W. Satchell, probably the longest time resident of any now living. Mr. Hall proved to be a true pioneer, a builder, and left the record of a blameless life behind him.