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#### OAK GROVE.

David McDowell died at his home near Oak Grove, Monday, May 8, at the age of 38 years and 2 months. Mr. McDowell was sick about ten days. His illness, although serious, was not thought to be dangerous at first, but on Friday evening assumed a more fatal form and he grew rapidly worse, passing away Monday about 7 p. m. Deceased was a native of Ireland, and came to America in June 1882, reaching Grinnell a few days after the cyclone. After working on the farm of John Boyle for five years, he bought a farm of 80 acres adjoining, where he has since resided. Although a Presbyterian when he came here, after becoming acquainted with the doctrine and principles of the Friends, he and his wife joined with them in the worship of God, and have been most exemplary christians. The church and neighborhood, and above all, the home, have sustained a loss that cannot be replaced. The funeral service was conducted by Robt. Lincoln, a warm personal friend of the family, and a minister of the Friends' church. His text was, "What I do, thou knowest not now." A man of few words, but earnest, faithful works, it would be hard to find one that would be more missed in the community. His bereaved wife and nine children, the oldest not quite sixteen years old, appeal to the sympathy of all, and not in vain. Besides the family, Mr. McDowell leaves a mother and brother here, a sister in New York, and a brother in Australia.

There is considerable ground yet to plow. The prospect for corn just now looks rather gloomy, with rain nearly every day.

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A. J. Blakely called on a few of our citizens Wednesday.

The McDonald boys have been breaking colts for Mr. Rutherford this week.

Miss Anna Hargrave has come for an extended visit with her aunt, Mrs. A. A. Cope. Her friends will be glad to welcome her among us again.

Charles Hargrave is helping the Boyle boys with their farm work.

The neighbors are showing their sympathy for the family of David McDowell, whose sudden death two weeks ago, left them with no one able to carry on the farm work. Quite a number went last week to do the plowing and prepare the ground for corn, which this week is being planted. Much sympathy has been expressed for them in their sad bereavement, and this practical mode of showing it, is as it should be.