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Isabella D. Woods was born December 22, 1828, in Portland, Chautauque county, New York, and was united in marriage to George H. Onthank of the same place on September 7, 1851. They were playmates in childhood. They came to Illinois early in the sixties. Mr. Onthank enlisted in the Army in 1862, and Mrs. Onthank returned to her old home until the close of the war, when she went to the state of Missouri where her husband had an official position in a hospital in which she assisted. They remained in that place for three years, then came to Grinnell in 1868. Here they celebrated their golden wedding anniversary in 1901. She was left a widow on June 5, 1902.

To this union were born two children, one son and a daughter. The son was laid to rest on Mrs. Onthank's 80th birthday. She was not very strong the last few years and peacefully fell asleep in the Saviour on March 10, 1912, at her home, aged 84 years, two months and 18 days. Besides her daughter, Mrs. George Brown, she leaves a brother, whose home is in Nebraska, and a sister in Oklahoma, a number of grandchildren and three great grandchildren.

She was converted while quite young and joined the Baptist church continuing a faithful member of that body until death.

She also was a member of the Order of the Eastern Star, the members of which attended her funeral in a body. Rev. Robert Lincoln conducted the funeral services. Music was furnished by a quartet composed of Dr. P. E. Somers, Mrs. D. H. Shack, Mrs. A. C. Norris and Ray Myers. The pallbearers were J. E. Neely, A. F. Swaney, B. A. Stowe, Beth Jenkins, George Sampson and H. S. Barnes.