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H. G. Squire was born at Florence, Erie county, Pa., in 1845, and lived in that county till 1872, when he came to the vicinity of Grinnell. In 1879 he was united in marriage to Miss Emily Clay, and a few years later bought the farm on which his wife had been reared. On this farm he has spent nineteen years, and has reared a family of three sons, the youngest of whom has grown almost to manhood. About a year ago Mr. Squire met with an accident in which his breast and shoulder were bruised and somewhat mashed and his head injured. Since the injury Mr. Squire has not been in good health, although he has been out and around most of the time. About five weeks ago he drove a team to Grinnell in the forenoon and in the afternoon to Newburg. The team pulled on the bits and worried him considerably, in so much that when he returned home he was all worn out. That evening he was taken with a violent headache and later in the night became unconscious. He rallied from this unconsciousness and seemed in a fair way to recover, but it was discovered that his mind wandered at times. He began to grow steadily worse and his sane moments less and less frequent, till death relieved him of his suffering. He died at nine o'clock Saturday morning, August 25. The funeral was held from his late residence Sunday afternoon, conducted by the Rev. W. P. Stoddard. A quartet consisting of Messrs. Walker and Davies, Mrs. Mack and Miss Hibbard furnished the music. The remains were interred in Hazelwood cemetery, Dwight Welch, John Newcomer, Albert Grier, Will Robbins, Newton Hartzell and George Hamlin acting as pall bearers. He leaves a wife and three sons, Arthur, William and Walter; two brothers, Wilbur and George, and one sister, Miss Anna, to mourn the loss of a good husband, father, brother. Mr. Squire was one of the most prosperous and successful of Chester township's many prosperous farmers. He was a man whose note was as good as gold, and his word as good as his bond. He was a quiet, unpretentious man, who preferred to labor diligently for his family rather than spend his time in seeing and being seen. He labored hard and planned diligently to lay aside for his family the necessities of life and some of its luxuries. He was a good citizen and neighbor, a kind husband and indulgent father, and will be greatly missed in the community.