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David S. Stewart, one of the pioneers of Grinnell and vicinity, after an illness of ten days caused by a paralytic stroke, passed away at his home on Fifth Avenue, Grinnell, Wednesday morning, April 20th, 1921, in his seventy-ninth year.

Mr. Stewart was born at Le Claire, in Scott county, Iowa, on December 14th, 1842, and there made his home until December 2nd, 1875, when he was joined in marriage to Miss Elizabeth Brown.

They immediately removed to the vicinity of Grinnell where they have since made their home.

Mr. Stewart's retirement from the farm eleven years ago was made necessary by his failing eye-sight and he has since lived in this city.

He leaves surviving him his wife, his two children, Mrs. John Edwards of Grinnell, and Floyd Stewart of Malcom, together with five grandchildren and one great-grandchild, their son, Willis Stewart, having died in January, 1904. Others of the immediate family are his half-brother, Samuel McFate, of this city, and his half-sister, Mrs. Henry Hart of Redlands, California.

He will also be greatly missed by a host of friends who have been won to him by his unflinching good-cheer and optimism, for the light instead of being shut out by his failing eyesight, appeared to accumulate in his soul and many found it a real pleasure to meet and visit with him.

Mr. Stewart was for thirty years a faithful and consistent member of the Congregational church of this city and found increasing satisfaction in attendance upon its regular services.

The writer has known Mr. Stewart for a full third of a century. We have always found him kind, courteous, honorable in all his dealings, a man of fine parts and loyal disposition. Few could have borne his unfortunate affliction with greater forbearance and few leave more friends to mourn their loss, in the death of another.