Sophie Anna Puls was born on the eleventh day of May, 1848, in Mecklenburg, Schwerin. At the age of 17 she, together with her brother Louis and her aged father came to the United States and settled near Princeton, Ill. At the age of 26 Miss Puls was here united in marriage on Nov. 26 with Mr. John Ticdemann. This union was blessed with hime children, one of whom died when a little child. Soon after their marriage the Tiedemann family went west to seek their fortune. They settled near Grinnell, where they have lived for the last 34 years. Here Mr. Tiedemann died in 1910.

Mrs. Ticdemann enjoyed good health all her life. Last March she grew seriously ill. Her illness soon proved to be Bright's disease. Mrs. Tiedemann suffered much and long. At first it seemed as if she was going to recover, and Mrs. Tiedemann long hoped that she would get well in the end. As time wore on and her condition grew worse, it became more and more evident that Mrs. Tiedemann would not recover. With Christian fortitude she resigned herself to the will of God, and prepared herself for the end. On July 4 she received the Lord's supper as a strengthening of her faith and as an assurance of the forgiveness of her sins. Last Tucsday, when she felt that the end was near, she prepared herself for death, and again received the Lord's supper. And that night at 20 minutes to 1 o'clock God called her home. Quietly she slumbered into death, at the age of 68 years, 2 months and 15 days. She leaves to mourn her loss, two brothers, Louis Puls of Malcom and Karl Puls of Princeton, Ill, eight children, Louis, Fred, John, Pauline, Jentzen, Emma Jentzen, Mary Mithelmann, Lydia Tschopp, Ella Groepper.

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