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MERNAN.—In this city, February, tth, Benjamin Timmerman.

Mr. Timmerman was born June 2d, 1811, in Mendon, Montgomery county, N. Y. In 1834 he removed to the city of Buffalo, where he was an active and successful business man, until 1867 when he settled in Grinnell. In 1853 he became a Christian and joined the North Presbyterian church of Buffalo, of which he was long an honored member. Since his removal here he has filled a place which will cause him to be long remembered among us. For four years he was a member of the City Council and those who were then associated with him, bear ample testimony to his sound judgment, unshrinking frankness and public spirit.

He was for many years one of the officers of the First National Bank of Grinnell. For several terms he was called by his associates to occupy the position of Vice President of that institution, and he was much esteemed for his good business sense and tact.

He was for some time a Deacon in the Congregational Church, and at the time of his death he was as he had been for several years a member of the Board of Trustees and also Treasurer of the huilding fund.

But these offices tell little of what he has done for us and been to us as counselor, helper and friend.

His widow, and four, children will have the sympathy of the entire community, all of whom share in some measure their beceavement. Last Saturday he said, "would it not seem pleasant to step into the kingdom this morning is Monday morning he had his wish.