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JAMESTOWN'S OLD TIME RESIDENT DIED AT HIS HOME SUNDAY SKETCH OF A LONG LAST. AND BEAUTIFUL LIFE.

The following account of the life and death of Hon. B. S. Russell, of Jamestown, is taken from the Jamestown Alert and all our readers will be interested in this account of such a noble and well

spent life:
Benjamin S. Russell gently passed away at his home in this city early Sunday morning. His death had been anticipated for some days by friends and the members of the family who have watched the flame of life gradually getting dimmer each day, for the last two weeks. Mr. Russell was taken sick Saturday evening, September 1st at his home, and Sunday morning complained of not feeling any improvement. In the afternoon after he had eaten a light lunch! he entered in conversation with spent life: after he had eaten a light lunch! he entered in conversation with his son Edward, and referring to his then slight sickness remarked: "This is the end. My wish is no struggle and that I cause you no trouble." He was assured by his children that he would soon be around again as before, but seemed to feel that his last illness was at hand, after a long and vigorous life. No amount of assurance seemed able to dislodge this impression with amount of assurance seemed able to dislodge this impression with him, and he almost at once began to have trouble with his articulation, and until the following Tuesday lost the power of speech to a great extent. He then rallied at times considerably more than others, but continued daily to gradually fail in strength and vitality. The intervals in which he recognized his family grew further and further apart, but his decline was so gradual as only to be noticed by comparing his condition with that of several hours or a day previous. Durout nis decline was so gradual as only to be noticed by comparing his condition with that of several hours or a day previous. During his last illness his wandering thought dwelt on bleasant incidents in his life, showing the strength of his optimistic nature. He seemed to believe himself surrounded at all times with old associates and friends, and his proken utterances were conclusive that he considered his life work at an end and that he had done the best he knew to serve his God and fellow man. His mind dwelt on pleasant scenes, and the meeting of congenial people in different parts of the country. He continued gradually to decline until sunset Saturday evening when, with the going down of day came the begining of the end of the slender flame of life. His breathing became more labored and he gently passed away at 1:30 a. m. without a struggle or change of feature, his final summons being a complete gratification of wish expressed to his family when first taken ill. It was a fitting and beautiful ending of a long, eventful and well spent life.

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The remains were taken to the Grace Episcopal church, which next to his home he considered as one of the dearest spots on earth, having been identified with the church and its interests from the begining. Funeral services were held Tuesday, promptly at 2:30 p. m., after which the remains were taken on N. P. train No.8 enroute to Towanda,

Pa. for burial in the Riverside cemetery beside the grave of his wife, who died about 15 years ago, in a plot of ground which the deceased himself selected early in the fifties, as his last resting place. At Towanda all his children were born.

The body will be accompanied to the old home in Pennsylvania by his oldest son Edward G. Russel and wife. At Towanda it is expected that the surviving members of the immediate family will be present at the funeral. They are: Edward G. Russell, Jamestown; Samuel W. Russell of Deadwood, S. D., Mrs. Samuel Bucknell of St. Louis and Ben D. Russell now in New York

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After a long life of active endeavor his last years were spent exclusively in light occupations with his family at Jamestown, and in traveling as his inclination prompted. He practically closed his business career several years ago, and only attended to some duties in which he took a special interest. He was, until his death, a member of the Mayville state normal school in which institution he took great pride. One of the honors which he specially esteemed was the recognition by the republicans of this state in selecting him as the presidential elector to bear the electoral college which declared the election of President Roosevelt. Mr. Russell had been a life long republican and was present at the birth of the party and has often presided at important conventions of the party of which he was such a devoted member. While a staunch party man, he never held a public office.

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He was a man of friendships, full of the widest charity and most generous impulses and many kindly acts mark his private life. He was engaged in many important business enterprises, and assisted in the promotion of many others in which he was not actively identified. While at his death he was not not his he world's goods, he was endowed with a fine character and left a record for high minded efforts that will long remain in the memories of his fellow citizens and those who knew him well. That the evening of his life should have been so pleasant is a matter for congratulation to his many old friends—that the closing days should be "the teeming, quietest, happiest days of all, the brooding and the blissful halcyon days."

A sketch of his life is of interest to review even by those who know it best. Benjamin Stillman Russell was of New England lineage, and was born in Erie, Pa., in 1822, and was 84 years of age. He came to the territory of Dakota in 1879 and has resided here since. His early education was in a primative country school where books were

derritory of Dakota in 1879 and has resided here since. His early education was in a primative country school where books were few but he evidently profited by the early instruction for he had no other school training. In 1836 he went to Philadelphia for employment in a wholesale hardware store where he served four years. He afterwards secured a position as teller and bookkeeper in a bank at Harrisburg, Pa, where he remained until 1850, when he moved to Towanda and started a bank of his own. In 1861, physical disability prevented him from enlisting in the army at the outbreak of the civil

war, but he lent all the active aid possible to the government. He was fiscal agent for the sale of securities of the government. He removed to Philadelphia in 1868, where he remained until 1871 when he moved to Duluth, a partner in a business house of E. W. Clark & Co. and director of the present St. Paul and Duluth railroad. In 1873 Mr. Russell was appointed by Gov. Austin as one of the commissioners to settle the dispute between Minnesota and Wisconsin over the entrance to the bay of Superior.

Mr. Russell saw the coming movement of population in the northwest and in 1879 came to Dakota territory, having secured control of a large tract of land. He made Spiritwood his headquarters for a time and afterwards removed to Jamestown where he has since resided. Mr. Russell was a Whig in early days and a supporter of David Wilmot of the Wilmot proviso fame. He voted for John C. Fremont in 1856. In 1847 he married Mary Gaskell of Philadelphia, who died in 1891. They had nine children five of whom survived the death of their mother.

Mr. Russell was a man of many scholarly acquirements, had a most remarkable memory and was widely read in history both sacred and profane.

Socially he was a most congenial and pleasant companion, and will be missed greatly by all in the city where he has for so many years made his home. That he had lived to see the state of his adoption become well started on the highway to permanent prosperity and development was one of the most gratifying matters to him. He-bad been a faithful exponent both at home and abroad of the resources of the state and had done much towards attracting attention of capital to this region.

OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS

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