

## An Unexpected Death.

Our community was greatly shocked last Tuesday evening at the intelligence of the unexpected death of one of the oldest and most esteemed pioneer citizens of Western Barnes county, Mr. W. J. Barnes, which occurred in Michigan, whither he had gone a few days previous to visit with relatives and friends in his old home.

Mr. Barnes was 72 years and five months old at the time of his death. He had been a resident of this vicinity for twenty-two years, arriving in Sanborn before there was a depot and only two or three houses. His goods, etc, were unloaded at the siding and he experienced all the trials and perplexities incident to pioneer life.

Deceased was always a good citizen, a christian gentleman, and all regret his departure from this life.

The remains were brought from Michigan and taken to Shannon's undertaking rooms, where they were prepared for burial. The funeral was held from the Congregational church in this place, Rev. Mark Williams preaching the sermon.

The body was buried in the Sanborn cemetery.

The surviving widow and children have the sincere sympathy of all our people in their bereavement.