

Death of a Pioneer Judge of Dakota.

Judge Sanford A. Hudson died Sunday afternoon at his residence, 423 Tenth street south, after a brief illness. The end came at 4 p. m., in the presence of his two daughters, the Misses Fannie L. and Sarah C. Hudson, and his grandson, Sanford T. Hudson. For a number of weeks he had shown signs of failing, but was confined to his bed only a few days. His death came at the ripe age of 87 years and several months. Besides the two daughters, two sons, Attorney S. H. Hudson of Benson, Minn., and Rector T. C. Hudson, rector of the Episcopal church at Paynesville, Minn. Funeral services were held Monday evening at 7 o'clock at Gethsemane cathedral, Bishop Mann and Dean Burleson officiating. The remains were taken east Wednesday morning to Janesville, Wis., accompanied by the members of the family, where the interment will be made beside the body of Mrs. Hudson. Judge Hudson was for many years vestryman of Gethsemane church, before the transition to a cathedral, and was a devout communicant and churchman.

It was during territorial days, in 1881, that President Garfield appointed Judge Hudson to preside over the Third judicial district, comprising at that time the whole of what is now North Dakota with U. S. jurisdiction. There are now eight districts and a federal judge in addition.

Judge Hudson was born May 16, 1817, in Oxford, Mass., and moved to Ellisburg, N. Y., in 1828. He was admitted to the bar at Utica in 1848 and the same year he removed to Janesville, Wis., in company with John R. Bennett, who later became circuit judge of Wisconsin. Judge Hudson practiced law in Janesville thirty-two years, when he came to Fargo as judge of the Third judicial district, filling that office most acceptably for four years, after which he engaged in the private law business till 1892, when he retired, since which time he has resided quietly in this city. Judge Hudson was a distinguished lawyer and judge and was very successful in his practice. He assisted in the organization of the Republican party and took a leading part in promoting its interests. He has always occupied a high position in the respect and esteem of his fellow men.—Fargo Call.