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tacked on the outside walls to keep out the wind and cold.

Mr. Passmel leaves a widow, three sons and a daughter; John, Anton, Frank and Mrs. Minnie Cook, wife of John Cook. Also three sisters, Mrs. Catherine Heimes, whose commodious home is about three miles west of Valley City, and Mrs. Mary Bode and Mrs. Anna Aller, both living at Port Washington, Wisconsin.

By the death of Mr. Passmel the family loses a most kind and loving husband and father, and the county and state a most valuable citizen. He was always interested in the welfare of the public and was re-elected each year as assessor of Hobert township since its organization, and he was almost continually an officer in the management of the schools in this district. He was trustworthy, reliable and honorable in all his dealings and business transactions, which is proved by the responsibilities conferred on him by the public. Mr. Passmel was highly esteemed by his neighbors and the community in general, and while his earthly work is finished and he is now resting peacefully with his Maker, his work was a noble one, and his elevating influence will ever remain among the people. The rapid and magnificent development of the state of North Dakota is due to the brave pioneers who came here when this state was yet a territory. They and their estimable families endured the privations and hardships of frontier life without dissatisfaction or complaint and by their integrity, industry and perseverance established prosperous and beautiful homes for themselves and posterity. Nick Passmel was one of these noble men and when we are taking a retrospective view of life, and at the same time recognizing the pleasant and comfortable environments of the present time, we should bow with earnest and solemn respect to the sacred memory of the pioneers of North Dakota. It was very right and fitting that there was such a large attendance at the funeral. People were present from a wide area of Barnes county and from other states, paying their tribute of respect to their

OBITUARY OF NICK PASSMEL.

God, in His infinite judgment and power, has seen fit to remove from our midst our beloved neighbor, Mr. Nick Passmel, who died at his home near Beres, Thursday, May 5, 1904. He was born in Mamer, Luxemborg, Germany, October 31, 1845. At the time of his demise his age was 59 years, 6 months and 4 days. He came to America with his parents at the early age of nine years and they located at Holy Cross, Wisconsin, where Mr. Passmel grew to manhood

and there he married Miss Elizabeth Tibor in 1872. He and his wife moved to Michigan, where he worked in the capacity of machinist and engineer in the copper mines. He came with his estimable family to Valley City, North Dakota on May 6, 1879, and if he had lived one more day it would have been just twenty-five years since their arrival here. Several other families came at the same time and are now residing in this county. When they first came to Valley City there were only a few shanties with tarpaper

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friend and citizen. Flowers were furnished in profusion by the citizens of Valley City and others. Funeral services were conducted by Rev. Sailer Saturday, May 7, in St. Catherine's church in Valley City. The interment was made in the cemetery adjoining Valley City. **

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