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Peter R. Pederson, one of Steele county's oldest and best known residents, passed away at his home Thursday, Jan. 10, at the age of 81 years and 6 days. He had been unusually hale and hearty for a man of his age, but on Jan. 2, he was not so well and suffered a stroke of paralysis, from which he never rallied. His throat was paralyzed so he never recovered his speech. The funeral services were held Monday at the home at 11 o'clock, and from Lund church at one o'clock, conducted by Rev. Sigurd Olsen, of Cooperstown. The deceased was born at Lundemo, Tronhjemstift, Norway, and confirmed at the same place. He came to the United States in 1867 after nine weeks at sea, locating first at Highland Prairie, Minn., while Carrie Lyngen, who later became his wife, came the following year. They were married June 23, 1874, at Watson, Minn. They filed on a homestead in Minnesota, living there until the spring of 1882, when they came to Hope and that has been their home continually since that year.

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