

Julius Paschke Called To His Final Reward.

After weeks of suffering, borne with heroic and uncomplaining spirit the scenes in the life of Julius Paschke drew to a close on Thursday afternoon and the spirit went back to its Maker. The following obituary notice was read by Rev Duerschner at the funeral services, which we publish in full

FREDERICK JULIUS PASCHKE was born on the 21st day of January in the year 1842 at Koslin, Pommeranian, Germany. As is customary in our church he was, after his baptism, instructed in the christian faith contained and explained in our Lutheran catechism. After his fourteenth year he came to this country with his parents. Their destination was the state of Wisconsin where they located in Dane Co. This new home was the place also where he formed the acquaintance of Miss Catherine Jurg, a with whom he entered holy wedlock, the 26th of September, 1863. Almost 49 years of a happy wedded life was their fortunate experience. Five children were born to this union, two of them, a son and a daughter, died at the respective age of 22 and 20. Those living are Emil Paschke of Nashua, Mrs. Freeman of Waterloo and Mrs. Ward of Charles City. One of his grandchildren was taken to the better land and four are remaining to mourn their grandfather's loss. Two brothers and two sisters of the deceased are living.

In 1866 the deceased came to this state. At Pleasant Grove they resided for 6 years, Charles City was the home of the family 8 years and Nashua for the remainder of his life time, about 32 years.

Our brother has always been an active church member and a regular attendant upon divine service. Our present congregation owes much to his influence. Not quite a year ago it could readily be seen that his usual good health began to fail. His trouble developed into cancer of the stomach and his bodily strength began to decrease gradually. In spite of this he always hoped for recovery. He was bedfast for only a few days. Last Tuesday he partook of the Lord's Supper, knowing full well that his sojourn on earth was speedily drawing to its close. The eye of his faith looked upward to the mountains whence alone comes our help. Thursday last at about 4 o'clock he breathed his last, at an age of 70 years, 6 months and 18 days.

He was also, as many of you know, a veteran of the civil war, and as we may duely infer from this, a loyal citizen of his new country, but the Fatherland above is the only true home of all the children of men. This is the place where unrest and turmoil have come to an end. Let us labour therefore to enter into the place of rest."

A large number were present at the funeral to pay their final tribute of respect to their friend and to mingle their sorrow with the bereaved ones. The church was crowded to its capacity and many waited outside. The floral emblems were very beautiful and Rev Duerschner conducted the services in both German and English, delivering excellent sermons.

Geo. W. S Dodge Post and the W. R. C. attended the funeral in a body and the remains were escorted to their last resting place in the Charles City cemetery by Commander Blake and pall bearers from the Post.

"Farewell, dear father, sweet thy rest,
Weary with years and worn with pain,
Farewell, till in some happy place
We shall behold thy face again.
'Tis ours to miss you all our years
And tender memories of thee keep,
'Tis thine now in the Lord to rest—
He giveth his beloved sleep."