

Obituary.

Edmund F. Trusty was born Aug. 6, 1823 in White county, Ill., and died Oct. 9, 1903, at the home of his daughter, Frances E. Hance, Nashua, Iowa, being 80 years, 2 months and 3 days old. He was married Jan. 5, 1843, to Miss Eda E. Mitchell who departed this life Aug. 17, 1894. There were born to them eight children—four sons and four daughters—five of whom are living— Wm. H. Trusty, of Vermillion, S. D., Mary E. Lish and Jane N. Bagley, of Black Diamond, Wash., Margaret E. Parmenter, of Hydesville, Cal., Frances E. Hance, of Nashua, Ia., with whom he made his home for the past fifteen years. In 1862, he enlisted for service in the civil war, serving three years for his country in Co. E., 96th regiment, Illinois Volunteer Infantry. He also leaves to mourn his departure four brothers, one sister a host of grandchildren and other relatives.

A TRIBUTE TO FATHER.

He has gone, a loving father,
To that land that knows no pain;
Death has taken another loved one
And we look for him in vain.
Oh, dear heart, so sad and lonely,
What can we say to comfort you?
Every place and every corner
Bring fresh thoughts and tears anew.
At the table and the fireside
There is now an empty chair,
And we listen for his footsteps
As we pass through rooms now bare.
Here a cap, a pair of mittens,
There a coat upon the wall,
What sad memories they awaken,
What painful thoughts they now recall.
Let us think of what he suffered,
Now so free from care and pain;
He has left this world of sorrow,
And our loss is but his gain.
See how peacefully he lies there,
Fold his hands upon his breast,
For his life's work here is ended,
He is sleeping,—he's at rest.