

DEATHS.

Mrs. Henrietta Trow Hill.

Mrs. Henrietta Trow Hill was born in the township of Eagle, Waukesha county, Wisconsin, August 31, 1843, and died at the family home in Whitewater, Wisconsin, on Saturday, November 6, 1915. The funeral was held at 10 o'clock Tuesday morning, November 9th, from the family home in Whitewater to Oak Ridge cemetery, Eagle, Wis., where the mortal remains of our dear old friend were laid to rest near the spot where her father and mother are sleeping, and near so many old friends she had known so well in her lifetime and who have preceded her to that eternal home which even to us all, seems near each day.

Mrs. Hill was the eldest daughter of Thomas and Lucinda Vars Trow, pioneer residents of the town of Eagle. Thomas Trow, although of English parentage, was born in Wales, Great Britain, and came to America in the year 1833, landing in New York where he worked at his trade as weaver until 1843 when, after his marriage to Miss Lucinda Vars of Otsego, N. Y., they together came to Wisconsin and located on Melindey's Prairie where they lived for two years. In 1845 Mr. Trow exchanged farms with E. Moody and acquired what is now the beautiful home in school district No. 1, better known to us who live today as Palestine. Mr. Trow gave a name to a lake near where he first located, which will be of interest to us all who live today. We have been at a loss to know from whence originated the name of Silver Lake, where in boyhood days we spent so many happy hours. Well, it was named by our good old friend and neighbor, Thomas Trow the guardian of the writer of this article until he became of age.

Another daughter, Valeria, was born to Mr. and Mrs. Trow and after reaching womanhood was married to W. S. Sherman. Together they now reside in California. Valeria was unable to be present at the funeral of her only sister, which the writer sincerely regrets.

At the intersection of two roads about equal distance between North Prairie and Eagle is located the white school house known as District No. 1, which in 1854 replaced the log school house of earlier days and in which Mrs. Hill received her first instructions. The writer has taken the liberty to name it the Palestine University or the reason that many people who are doing their duty in the world today, received their first and some of course all the learning they had to fit them for life's battle, in that old Palestine school house.

Charles Hill, the husband of Henrietta, still survives and is in good health, for which we are all truly thankful and we hope he will be permitted to remain with us for many years in the future. He was born in the town of Upwell, Cambridgeshire, England, December 31, 1836, came to America at the age of eighteen, located for a brief time in Fairfield, Herkimer county, New York. From there he came to Eagle in 1855 and on December 18, 1861, was married to Henrietta Trow, whose memory we now revere. After their marriage they located in Dunn county, Wis., and to tell the story of their experiences in those early days would require the whole front page of the Eagle Quill, so for the want of space, the story of the lives of these pioneers must be tersely written. In 1865 they came back to the town of Eagle and located on the old Treadway-Galpin-Baldwin farm at Palestine, where many years were spent, and well spent. Finally they removed to Whitewater where the family home now is, but never, no never, have they for a moment forgotten the old friends of other days.

Two children were born to Mr. and Mrs. Hill, viz: Ellsworth E. and Lucinda, who in turn are proving themselves to be good citizens. Both children have families which also are a credit to their parents.

The love of the writer for this pioneer family would lead him to write on and on, so clear in his memory is the history of the past, but enough to say now that the body of Mrs. Hill is now at rest. Rev. Andrews, her pastor, said the final word that consigned her body to the tomb, and commended her spirit to God who gave it, and there we left her natural body in the hands of a Being that doeth all things well. Nor shall the memory of her consistent, trustful life be forgotten but it "Seeing her good works, they may glorify our Father which is in heaven."

The truer life draws nigher

Every year

And its morning star climbs higher

Every year.

Earth's hold on us grows slighter

And the heavy burden lighter

And the Dawn Immortal brighter

Every year.

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