

**BORRALL, FRANKLIN CLINTON**

April 7, 1852-January 6, 1934

Franklin Clinton Borrall was born in Delaware, Ohio, April 7, 1852, and departed this life at the home of his daughter, Mrs. Chas. Hightower, south of town on January 6, 1934 being at the time of his death eighty-two years and nine months of age.

When he was twenty-one years of age, he joined the regular army where he served one year and was honorably discharged because of a disability incurred in a battle under the leadership of General Custer and only in the last few years of a pension for which he was so very grateful in his declining years.

On January 14, 1877 he was united in marriage to Miss Mary Johnson at Indianola, Iowa and to this union, eight children were given.

In 1895, together with his family he emigrated from Milo, Iowa in a covered wagon and settled in the vicinity of Wheatland where he has made his home ever since. He was a pioneer, indeed, and was courageous in his efforts in meeting the challenged of an undeveloped and sparsely populated community with surroundings of such a character as to demand the better qualities of leadership and supervision.

The head-gate of the little reservoir on the Wheatland Flats remains a memorial to his engineering ability as it was constructed under his supervision, and it was his hands that molded the majority of the bricks that were used in the construction of the first building in the present town of Wheatland. He also constructed a number of other buildings in some of the older towns and cities of southern Iowa where he followed his trade before coming to the state of Wyoming.

About forty years ago he made a profession of Faith in Christ as his Savior and together with his wife united with the Christian Union at Hammondsburg, Iowa and remained in this faith until his death.

He was preceded in death by his wife, to whom he was so devoted, in 1924 and sorrow also pierced his heart in the death of four of his children; Harry, Annie and William died in childhood and Owen at the age of 35 years.

Among those left to mourn his death, we note, four daughters, Mrs. Chas. Hightower with who he had made his home since the death of his wife, Mrs. Edna Kuehner and Mrs. Ina Combs, all of Wheatland, and Mrs. Alice Nanney of Seattle, Wash. There are also 12 grandchildren, 7 great grandchildren and a host of other relatives and friends.

While our hearts are saddened that we have lost a true and loving father and grandfather, an obliging and accommodating neighbor is missing, a loyal citizen has gone to that land from which no traveler has yet returned, yea we realize our loss is his gain and that our sorrow will be reimbursed in that he has gained that undeniable reward to those whose faith is in the Unshakable Realities of Eternity and we therefore say "Good Bye Grand Pa" in the realization that:

There is nothing terrible in death;  
Tis but a step to cast our robes away  
And sleep all night without a break  
To break repose till dawn of day.

Funeral services were conducted at the Christian church, Tuesday, January 9, with sermon by Chas. F. Thomas, pastor of the Baptist church and arrangements in charge of the Copley Funeral Home.