

CARMICHAEL, WILLIAM HENRY

March 15, 1839-May 23, 1899

The community was greatly shocked Tuesday morning at the announcement of the death of W.H. Carmichael. It was only known by a few that he was dangerously ill, and many did not even know of his sickness. Mr. Carmichael was in Wheatland on the 18th, and was apparently in the best of health at the time. Friday evening following, he was taken with a chill, and retired earlier than usual, although expecting he would be well again the next day. Saturday a physician was summoned, and although everything possible was done to arrest the progress of the disease, all efforts were unavailing, and Mr. Carmichael grew steadily worse until the end came early Tuesday morning. Early in his illness, the deceased became unconscious, and remained so until his death. The illness was meningitis, complicated with typhoid fever and seemingly, all efforts of medical skill and careful nursing were fruitless.

Mr. Carmichael was one of the early settlers of this section, having located here some fifteen years ago. As a neighbor, a friend, a citizen, he was all that could be demanded. Ever kind and accommodating as a neighbor, faithful and indulgent as a father, his memory will be cherished as one who lived for others as well as for himself. The deepest sympathy goes out to the wife and little ones, who have thus been ruthlessly been deprived of their greatest aid and comfort.

William Henry Carmichael was born near Springfield, Ohio, March 15, 1839. When ten years of age, he moved with his parents to Illinois, and in 1859, made the journey across the plains to California, where he remained a number of years. In 1871, he returned to Saline county, Nebraska, where on May 2nd, 1872, he was married to Lovernia Jane Bowen, who survives him. They had eleven children who are living, six girls and five boys. He became a member of Wymore Lodge No. 165 I.O.O.F., at Wymore, Nebraska, in 1883, which membership he held at the time of his death.

Funeral services were conducted in the M.E. church Wednesday afternoon by Rev. E. H. Taylor. The services were largely attended, and many friends and neighbors accompanied the remains to their last resting place. Members of the Odd Fellows Fraternity, which the deceased held in high esteem, acted as pallbearers, as a mark of respect to the memory of a departed brother.