

## THE CANTON LEADER

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### Death of Dr. Holmgren.

Dr. Hjalmar August Holmgren died at the Rudolph hotel in this city at 5 o'clock Monday evening, and the end came without pain during a period of unconsciousness, in fact he did not recognize any one for several hours before death. He had been a patient suffer from diabetes for some time, and knew the end was coming, but he faced the future life with courage and resignation.

Dr. Holmgren came to this state 12 years ago, locating at Alcester, where he soon became famous as a physician, and in 1894, was married to Miss Christine Olson of Alcester, and the Doctor and his wife removed to Canton, where they have resided ever since.

Dr. Holmgren was a magnificent specimen of manhood when he came to Canton 11 years ago, courtly in manner, showing the polished gentleman in his daily intercourse. He was highly educated and belonged to one of the most prominent families in Sweden, in fact his family is connected with the Swedish royal family.

Simon Ulrikson, one of his true and trusty friends was with him at the end, and at 6 o'clock Undertaker Campbell removed the body to the Doctor's residence where Mrs. Holmgren and friends took charge.

Mrs. Holmgren and Mr. Ulrikson came to the Leader office at 8 p. m. and sent a cablegram to Stockholm notifying relatives of his death. Mr. Glendinning sent the message at 8 p. m. Monday, and at 9:10 a. m. Tuesday, an answer was received from his brother. This decided the funeral arrangements. It was the Doctor's wish to be buried at Valley Springs, the home of Mrs. Holmgren, and that wish will be gratified.

He was a member of the Canton Masonic Blue Lodge, and Chapter, the Sioux Falls Templar lodge and the Oriental consistory of Yankton.

Dr. Holmgren was born in Stockholm Feb. 21, 1866, where he received a liberal education, and at the age of 15 he received the degree of A. B., and the degree of master of arts at 18, after which he traveled extensively in Europe, coming to the United States in 1890. He took a course of study in Beaumont Medical College at St. Louis, graduating with highest honors. He first located at Ishpeming, Mich., and then came to Alcester. S. D. Dr. Holmgren's father was at one time a member of the Swedish cabinet and became a professor of mathematics in the Royal University. The Doctor's grandfather was court chaplain.

Dr. Holmgren was a member of the leading medical societies of this county, and was a personal friend of Dr. Senn of Chicago. He opened a hospital in Canton, which was prominent for a time, but the fatal disease that began to sap his life discouraged him in his hospital project and of late had given it little or no attention.

The deceased leaves three brothers across the ocean, all filling responsible positions, one being in Paris in the employ of the French government, and another is chief physician in the Sabbathberg Hospital at Stockholm. A wife and three beautiful children are left to mourn the death of a husband and father, but the little ones are too young to realize their great loss.

The funeral took place Thursday morning at 11 o'clock under the direction of brother masons. A simple service was held at the residence of the deceased after which the body was taken to Sioux Falls by train and then escorted to Valley Springs by a delegation of Sioux Falls Knights Templar.

The funeral offerings were elaborate and very handsome and furnished by the nephews and friends.

The Masonic services were under the direction of Worshipful Master Carl Tank, and Wm. M. Cuppett performed the duties of Marshal. The Rev. G. S. Evans preached a brief sermon. The pall bearers were A. G. Noid, A. E. Jennings, P. A. Overseth, Edwin Shufelt, O. A. Rudolph and O. S. Gifford.

Dr. Holmgren carried about \$10,000 life insurance in various companies.

### Death of S. S. Morton.

S. S. Morton of Beloit Iowa, died at his home Monday morning about 5 o'clock aged 67. He got up and dressed and seemed to be in his usual health when he was taken with a severe attack of heart trouble, but before anything could be done he dropped over dead. He has been station agent for the Milwaukee for some time, was postmaster and justice of the peace and town clerk, and a man highly respected by all who knew him.

S. S. Morton was born in Milton, Wisconsin, sixty seven years ago, and was married at Palmyra, Wisconsin, to Miss Ellen M. Leighton. He lived for a time in Virginia before coming to Iowa, and made Beloit his home ever since. He leaves a wife, three sons and two daughters to mourn his sudden death. The sons are all telegraph operators; W. L. stationed at Elk Point, C. S. at Hopkinton, Iowa, A. R. at Washington, and the two daughters are Mrs. Heider of Beloit and Mrs. J. P. Gooch of Washington. W. L. and C. S. Morton arrived at Beloit Tuesday to be present at the funeral which took place at 2 o'clock Thursday. Rev. J. J. Gardner of the Inwood Methodist church conducted the funeral service and the body was laid away in the Beloit cemetery.

## DEATH OF MRS. J. Q. FITZGERALD.

A Brief Sketch of this Grand Old Pioneer Who Died Wednesday.

A pioneer of the pioneers has passed away—a devoted wife and mother—a woman who came to the Sioux Valley with her husband in 1867, facing cheerfully and bravely the vicissitudes that all first settlers had to meet and overcome. It was during a period when the soldiers still garrisoned a rude fort at Sioux Falls, and the country along the upper part of the valley remained unsettled and unsought by the hardy pioneer because of the dread of hostile Indians.

It was during such a time when Mr. and Mrs. J. Q. Fitzgerald drove overland from Albert Lea, Minn., and crossed the Big Sioux river at a point on the present Christopher farm just east of Canton. They drove a team of horses and a yoke of oxen and when they came to the present town site of Canton they camped and prepared to make a home.

In the death of Mrs. Fitzgerald our city loses the pioneer wife and mother, the old settlers association one of the oldest settlers in the county, the church a devout and earnest Christian; first to gather together a Christian organization in the little frontier hamlet that is now the beautiful city of Canton, and the grand old pioneer, himself, a loving wife and mother, his devoted companion for over 54 years.

Something over a year ago Mrs. Fitzgerald began to suffer from a cancer, and in May last was compelled to seek her bed, and since that time had been under the care of Dr. J. M. Lewis and a trained nurse, besides the watchful and loving care of her daughters Mrs. Hewitt and Mrs. Gale, and the devoted husband. She cheerfully and bravely fought the battle of life to the end which came peacefully at fifteen minutes before one o'clock Wednesday afternoon. She had been unconscious for twenty-four hours before the spirit left the body, and so gently came the transition that the feeble heart-beat alone announced the end, realizing in death the glory of that beautiful hymn she loved so well, "Nearer My God to Thee."

Here was a noble Christian life, full of good deeds and charitable acts, and from the early days when alarms drove the few scattered settlers to the Fitzgerald home for protection, up through the growth and development of our beautiful county, she has always taken a leading part until within a few years. She was a leader in church and temperance work, and always ready to help the needy and aid the afflicted.

On January 1, 1868, Mr. and Mrs. Fitzgerald gave a dinner in their "sod palace," to which every settler in the

county was invited, and local history states that all attended, as well as two strangers who had last their way, who were kindly sheltered and feasted.

That famous sod house stood about midway between the present Farmers State bank building and the court house band stand and was of the usual sod house variety. It contained no partitions. The interior was a large room—parlor, reception room, bed room and kitchen all in one. Table after table was loaded with good things before the happy pioneers were all cared for, but no king in his palace ever enjoyed a feast more than did those early settlers enjoy their first new year dinner in Lincoln county.

In 1868 Mr. Fitzgerald built a log house, more substantial and roomy than the "sod palace," which stood about where Mr. Lybarger's store now stands, and this building was the social and business headquarters for the little community until Messrs. Cuppett and Hewitt built a log store. Mrs. Fitzgerald continued to do the honors as society leader in her log house until 1870 when the two story part of their present home was erected out of oak and cottonwood lumber sawed at Beloit. The finishing lumber was bought in Sioux City at \$60 per thousand feet. The two wings of the present building were erected some time after.

Thirty years ago the writer was a guest for the first time at the Fitzgerald home and enjoyed the splendid hospitality of the charming hostess. A few weeks ago we called at the home of the brave, patient, suffering pioneer and we found a glad welcome.

"We remained in Wisconsin until 1857, then the western fever caught us again. That time we concluded to move to Minnesota, and finding Albert Lea a delightful spot, stopped there until 1867, when we again moved westward to our present home. We lived near Albert Lea during the horrors of the Indian massacres, and old Inkpaduta didn't miss us very much when he swooped down on Spirit Lake. Our life in Minnesota during those years of blood and torture was full of constant alarms, but we stood our ground and none were more determined than my wife. After the Indians were driven into Dakota and nearly half a hundred hung in Minnesota, we again, in 1867, took up our westward march, that time to Lincoln county, Dakota Territory, and finding this part of the Big Sioux Valley so beautiful, we unhitched our horses and our oxen and began to build our sod house, the first home in what is now Canton."

In writing of the death of Mrs. Fitzgerald, we are writing a brief tribute to the memory of a noble Christian pioneer, wife, mother and friend, the greater part of whose life has been a part of the history of Canton and Lincoln county, and the writer joins this entire community in extending to the bereaved husband and family sincere sympathy in their hour of sorrow.

Mrs. Fitzgerald was a sister of the late I. N. Martin, whose widow is a resident of Sioux Falls. Of her own family there is the devoted husband and two daughters, Mrs. J. W. Hewitt and Mrs. Bert Gale and children, and members of the Martin family, these will be the chief mourners, and

the people of Canton will honor the deceased pioneer at the funeral which takes place Friday at 10 o'clock a. m., from the home of the deceased.

Rev. Dr. Carson of Scotland will conduct the funeral service both at the residence and at the cemetery.

**Death of Elmer Brandhagen.**  
The death of Elmer William, the 17 year old son of Mr. and Mrs. O. T. Brandhagen of this city, occurred at 1 o'clock Monday afternoon, October 16, 1905, after a noble effort to free him from the withering grasp of consumption. The boy fought nobly for life but medical skill could not stay the ravages of this dread disease. He was a bright cheerful boy until sickness clouded his young life and then the struggle began which closed Monday afternoon.

Undertaker Byrnes had charge of the funeral, and the casket was conveyed by hearse from Canton to West Prairie Lutheran church in Grant township, where the funeral service was held and conducted by Rev. H. M. Solem of Garretson. A large number of friends and neighbors were present to honor the memory of the boy who was born and raised within sight of the church. The ceremony in the cemetery was concluded at 4 o'clock, and the pall bearers, six in number, were schoolmates of the deceased.

Mr. and Mrs. Brandhagen have the sincere sympathy of our people in their sorrow.

**Death of Oliver Rassy.**  
Oliver L. Rassy who lived with his son, Frank K. Rassy, on his farm in Linn township, three miles east of Worthing, died last Sunday. General debility was the cause of the aged man's death. He was born in Switzerland 88 years ago, and has lived in Linn township with his son for six years. The funeral was held on Tuesday, Oct. 17, and the remains were interred in the Worthing cemetery at 5 o'clock.

**Riverside.**  
Here we are again, brimful of news. Let everybody take their hats off and listen.

Conrad Olson is back to his old standing ground, after spending a few months in Pattee Slough.

Mark Hunter has been taking a rest from the arduous task of husking corn while applying soothing balms to a felon which has taken up a squatter's right on his thumb.

Charley Webb has rented a house and barn in the nearby village of Beloit and will spend the winter there. Charley has "farmed it" in Riverside for the last two years.

Bob Harris and family who have spent the summer on the Boyce farm have also moved over to Beloit. Thus the little village is sometimes increased, often diminished, but still struggling on, that the future map of Iowa may retain as an outpost on its western border the once dreamed of city of Beloit.

Anna Brynjulson and Cora Holter, students at Augustana, spent Sunday at home with their parents.

Harry Brisbine is back from his Lyman county claim. He says he found his farm just about where he left it and his lonely wigwam still on the plains. The only missing member was Harry's ax which he thinks has taken a stroll up to Cedar creek to gather fuel for winter. Harry's brother accompanied him back.

Al Chesley has hired out to Charley Webb as an expert corn husker.

O. P. Bakken expects to move back to the farm soon.

On account of the sickness of the pastor there were no services at the Grand Valley church Sunday.

John Marston is helping his father G. W., who is busy harvesting an immense crop of potatoes this week.

Threshing is all finished up and corn husking is the order of the day, and of days to come.

Lars Knudson was a caller at Hans Brynjulson's Sunday morning.

J. E. Holter is back from a tour of the northern part of the Sioux Valley.

When our friends or neighbors do anything of interest again you may expect to hear from us provided we can pry out the news, and we are some on the pry when anything's going on.

**Resolutions.**  
At a Regular Communication of Silver Star Lodge No. 4, A. F. and A. M., held Oct. 18, 1905, the following resolutions were unanimously adopted:

Whereas, it has pleased the Supreme and Allwise Creator of the universe to summons our brother, Dr. Hjalmar Holmgren to the Celestial Lodge on High, and Whereas, it is but just and right that a fitting recognition of his strength, virtues, ambitions and steadfastness of purpose be had by our lodge, therefore be it

Resolved that in the death of brother Hjalmar Holmgren, Silver Star Lodge No. 4, A. F. and A. M. has lost an esteemed, eminent and industrious brother, who was ever a companion and brother, but in this hour of sorrow we turn to the great Supreme Ruler and bow in obedience to his will.

Resolved that we extend to the widow and family of the deceased, our deep sympathy in their great loss and assure them that we share with them the sorrow they feel at his departure:

That a copy of these resolutions be spread upon the records of this lodge, a copy furnished to the family of our deceased brother, and copy be furnished to each of the local papers:

That the charter of the lodge be draped in mourning for thirty days as a symbol of our sorrow.

E. S. O'NEIL,  
A. G. NOID,  
A. BRADY BECK,  
Committee.



Mrs. J. Q. FITZGERALD.

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**Tragic Ending of John Bates.**  
The dead body of John Bates was found Sunday morning about 8 o'clock in the machine yard of Thompson & Fossum by Mat Schoenauer's son. Coroner Noid was promptly notified and had the body removed to the Taylor Co., undertaking rooms on 5th Street. The dead man had worked as a cigar maker in E. C. Becker's cigar manufactory for six weeks, and was a good natured peaceable man about 50 years of age. He was paid his wages last Saturday afternoon at 5 o'clock by Mr. Becker. He went to the post office and secured a money order for his cigarmakers Union dues, amounting to \$4.80. This order was found in his pocket. He went to the restaurant for supper. The next heard of him he was in the Otto pool room where he played pool with some parties, and left there after 10 o'clock apparently sober and seemingly happy and contented. Bates had something like \$7 when he left the pool hall and when found there was only 5 cents in his pocket. The body when found showed no signs of violence, yet the presumption is very strong that someone got the old cigar maker down in the machine yard and filled him with doped liquor and then robbed him. Dr. Smith thinks the bursting of a blood vessel in the brain was the immediate cause of death. It is quite evident that the old man didn't go down there alone to drink, and the absence of all his money but 5 cents is proof that the party who was with him robbed him, before or after death. It's a sad and tragic ending of a harmless old man who may have some one some where waiting for a greeting that will never come. The inquest held Monday by Coroner Noid developed nothing beyond what is herein stated. No one knows of his home or of relatives and the body was buried at the expense of the county Wednesday.

The funeral service was held in the Campbell undertaking rooms and was conducted by Rev. G. S. Evans of the Congregational church. Two handsome floral offerings were upon the casket, one presented by Miss Ella Opperud and the other by Mrs. Southard and Mrs. Guintner, given in memory of the dead man's unknown relatives and friends. It was a beautiful and kindly act on the part of these ladies. The pall bearers were Y. C. Becker, W. S. Ingham, Anton Elinek and Vincent Miller. Interment was in Forest Hill cemetery.

Hon. Stacy Cochrane lectured on Socialism at the hall Monday and Tuesday evening.

**Bankrupt's Petition for Discharge and Order of Notice Thereon.**  
In the Matter of )  
Frank B. Hill, Bankrupt. )  
To the Hon. John E. Carland, Judge of the District Court of the Southern Division District of South Dakota, at the City of Sioux Falls in said District, in and for the County of Lincoln and State of South Dakota, in said District, respectfully represents that on the 6th day of July, last past, he was duly adjudged bankrupt under the Acts of Congress relating to bankruptcy; that he has duly surrendered all his property and rights of property, and has fully complied with all the requirements of said Acts; and all the orders of the court touching his bankruptcy.

Wherefore, he prays that he may be discharged from all debts provable against his estate, under said bankruptcy acts, except such debts as are by law excepted from such discharge.

Dated this 8th day of October, A. D. 1905.  
FRANK B. HILL,  
Bankrupt.

**Order of Notice Thereon.**  
United States of America,  
Southern Division District of South Dakota.  
On this 14th day of October, A. D. 1905, on reading the foregoing petition,  
It is ordered by the Court that a hearing be had upon the same on the 6th of November, A. D. 1905, before said Court at the Court house in the City of Sioux Falls in said District, at ten o'clock in the forenoon, and that notice thereof be published twice in the Dakota Farmers' Leader, a newspaper printed at Canton, in said District; and that all known creditors and other persons in interest may appear at the said time and place, and show cause, if any they have, why the prayer in said petition should not be granted.

And it is further ordered by the Court that the Clerk upon payment by the bankrupt or his attorney, of the actual expense thereof, shall send by mail to all known creditors, copies of said petition and this order addressed to them at their places of residence, as stated.

Witness the Honorable John E. Carland, Judge of the said Court, and the seal thereof, at Sioux Falls, in said District, on the 14th day of October, A. D. 1905.

OLIVER S. PENDER,  
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BY HARRY B. BESSOR,  
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