

December 23, 1910

## MRS. ISAAC RITTER GONE

After many weeks of illness and patient suffering, Mrs. Isaac Ritter passed away at 7:45 Tuesday evening. Funeral services will be held this afternoon (Thursday) at 2:00 o'clock at the Presbyterian Church.

Julia VanLeuven was born in New York State, near Albany, March 3rd, 1850. Removed from that state to Michigan with her parents when about seven years of age. Became the wife of Isaac Ritter on March 8, 1870. Came to Dakota Territory with her family in 1881, and established a home in Riverside, where they remained for more than a quarter century, moving to Groton from there.

Six children were born, two of whom preceded the mother to the grave. The survivors are Mrs. Fannie Aves, Groton, Mrs. Clara Talbot, Lethbridge, Canada, Edward and Harry Ritter, of Groton.

The brave spirit which ever met the rigors of pioneer life with cheerfulness and hope, has gone to its reward. In her going, a household which seemed a few short months ago to be entering years of well-earned rest, is broken asunder.

Words of keenest sympathy are heard on every hand for the sorrowing husband and children.