December 10, 1903

DEATH OF MRS. S. B. WILLITS

Mary Louise

Mrs. S. B. Willits, who had been in feeble health for a long time, passed away about noon on Saturday, Dec. 5.

She was born at Oswego, N. Y., in 1843, hence was in her sixty-first year. Moved to Michigan with her parents at the age of five years. Became the wife of S. B. Willits in 1860, and lived at Carson City, Mich, until the removal of the family to Dakota Territory in 1881.

Her husband died about fifteen months ago. Three sons and two daughters survive her—Elam Willits of Bemidji, Minn., Emil and Barney Willits of Groton, Mrs. F. B. Udell of Pierpont and Mrs. Carl Smith of Huron.

The funeral occurred on Tuesday afternoen, and was conducted by Rev. J. S. Butt. The children were present except Elan and Barney, the latter being on a trip to Duluth, could not be reached by telegraph.

Death came as a relief after many months of suffering.

Mrs. Willits was highly esteemed by all who knew her. She was a true wife and mother, and leaves her children the heritage of a life of faithful devotion to their welfare.