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Early Pioneer Expires In Groton Saturday

David Wismer, a pioneer resident of this county, and for many years a familiar figure on the streets of Groton, passed away at his home here last Saturday after suffering from an illness for some time. He was 87 years of age at the time of his death and leaves one daughter, Mrs. Mabel Veitch of Council Bluffs, Iowa, to mourn his loss. Mrs. Wismer passed away January 28, 1935.

Mr. Wismer was born on October 10, 1852, at Mapleton, Ontario, Canada, the youngest of 12 children born to Mr. and Mrs. John Wismer, and grew to manhood in that vicinity. In 1886 he came to South Dakota and settled on a farm four miles west of Groton. Due to ill health he was forced to give up farming and in 1900 moved to Minneapolis, Minn., where he resided until 1924, when he returned to Groton and has since made this city his home.

The funeral was held from the Paetznick Funeral Home on Monday. The obsequies were conducted by Rev. L. C. Benson, pastor of the Methodist church, and the remains were laid to rest in Groton cemetery.

Always known as a kindly man with unbounded faith in this state, Mr. Wismer had many friends here and elsewhere who regretfully mourn his passing.