

July 22, 1913

DEATH OF JOHN CAIN

John Cain is dead!

The long struggle with heart trouble ended on Wednesday last, when the old time Hufftonite passed away.

Along with the sad realization that the scenes which have known him will know him no more, comes a flood of memories of incidents and events enlivened by his keen wit and a rare capacity for seeing the bright side of life. Even up to the hour of his death his mind was clear and able to grasp the humorous side of things.

Probably his most striking characteristic was the fixed habit of rendering to every man his due, and of never abusing the confidence of those with whom he had business relations. During the trying times of pioneer days, John Cain's unsupported word in business obligations was worth more than the average chattel mortgage.

He was seventy-one years of age, a native of Ireland, coming to America in his youth. In 1866 he joined the 22nd infantry for frontier service, returning to his home in York state after three years. In 1872 he was married to Matilda Varley, and moved to Montcalm County, Mich., where they resided for nine years. In the spring of 1882 moved to Dakota Territory, and for thirty-one years had been a resident of this county.

A widow and seven children survive him, all of whom were present at the funeral on last Friday.