

Sudden Death.

Last Saturday evening a telegram was received from Davidson, Canada, stating that Joseph Jefferson had died suddenly at that place. The news came as a terrible shock to our city as Mr. Jefferson had left only a few days before in the best of health and spirits.

Mr. Jefferson in company with a party from this place left for the Canadian northwest July 10, for the purpose of purchasing land. He was in perfect health at the time and continued so until the morning prior to his death when he complained of distress in his chest and left arm. No alarm was occasioned at this but he decided to stop off at Davidson, where he had friends, and join the party later. As no improvement was noticeable at noon Mr. Jefferson went to a drug store to consult a physician, and while there was suddenly stricken and in less than a half hour after passed away.

As soon as possible after the sad news reached here, Mr. Gordon Jefferson and Mr. E. D. Washburn started for Davidson, but as arrangements had already been made for transportation they only went as far as Regina where they met the body, arriving yesterday on the morning train.

Joseph Ellis Jefferson was born at Gotcherick, Ontario, November, 1856—died July 15, 1905.

In early manhood he came west and in 1881 located near Colgate, in Steele county, where he conducted a large farm for a number of years. On September, 1896, he was united in marriage to Mrs. Eliza McCormick, who survives him besides three children, a father, four brothers and two sisters.

Deceased was a member of several fraternal societies and was always active in promoting the spirit of good fellowship. The funeral services are to be held from the Congregational church at two o'clock this afternoon under the auspices of the Masonic fraternity, Rev. Hitchcock preaching the sermon. The remains will be followed to their last resting in the cemetery west of town by the Masons, Woodmen and a large concourse of sorrowing relatives and friends to pay their last tribute of respect to the departed.

The whole community sympathizes with the sorrowing ones in this their sad hour of affliction.