

## AN OLD RESIDENT DIES.

### Mrs. Mary Bateman Passes Away After an Illness of Three Days.

Park River Republican:—We regret to announce the death of Mrs. Mary Bateman at the residence of her son Mr. S. F. Bateman in this city, which sad event took place Wednesday, Nov. 17, after an illness of only three days. The deceased is survived by her husband, Mr. H. Bateman, who feels the terrible blow most keenly, and to whom in this sad hour our hearts go out in sympathy. The issue of the happy union just severed are W. A. Bateman, Calumet, Mich.; F. Bateman, Sault St. Marie; S. F. Bateman, Park River, N. D.; M. L. Bateman, Spokane, Wash.; H. H. Bateman, Cooperstown, N. D.; A. B. D. Bateman, De Schutes, Ore.; Mrs. E. F. Schumann, Leeds, N. D.; Mrs. F. Hicks, Gilbert Plains, Man., Can.; Mrs. A. Williams, Maza, N. D.

Mrs. Bateman was born in Ontario, Can., 75 years ago. In 1895, she, with her husband, twelve years her senior, moved to Park River, N. D., and with the exception of the time necessarily spent on a homestead, have resided in this city continuously ever since.

That the deceased possessed within herself the strong qualifications necessary to be a devoted christian is putting it mildly. She was little known in the giddy whirl of society, but in her own sphere comprising those who form the religious life of the church she so dearly loved. In such circles are those whose privilege it was to listen to her noble christian testimony. Testimony that lives on and will live long after the words, earth to earth, dust to dust, shall have been pronounced at the final resting place.

To father Bateman as in his declining years he plods wearily along, listening for the call, watching for the beckoning hand bidding him to follow, also his family strong in manhood and womanhood whose ears were always open to the wise, timely suggestions of a devoted mother, the sympathy of this entire community goes out in this dark hour.