

## In Memoriam of Orville Clark Ford.

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Since it is given that all men must die, the death of our most beloved must be accepted as the immutable decree of the one impotent Ruler of the universe; and we should feel constrained to say: "The Lord gave, and the Lord taketh away, blessed be the name of the Lord."

We all believe that there is a brighter, better, happier world than this, yet we are filled with sorrow and grief when our loved ones start upon their journey to that undiscovered country from whose bourne no traveler has yet returned.

'Tis said; "Death loves a shining mark." and this saying was verified when the Grim Reaper claimed as his own Orville Clark Ford.

Mr. Ford passed away at home 463 Wheeler Ave., Merriam Park, Minn., May 25, 1908, aged 63 years, 5 months and 25 days.

The deceased formerly lived at Centerville, Wis., where he was in business many years and was highly respected by all who knew him. He came to St. Paul about fifteen years ago and lived here until his death. He was a traveling salesman for a New York house.

He recently embraced the faith of the Christian Catholic Apostolic church, of which his wife had long been a member, on the 53 anniversary of her birthday.

The funeral services were held at the late residence Thursday, May 28 at 2:30 p. m, and was conducted by Elder Taylor of Zion City, who came from Chicago for that express purpose.

The services were unique, beautiful and impressiv

Music was furnished by the choir of the Christian Catholic Apostolic church of Minneapolis and Mrs. Geo. Lillard, who was instrumental in bringing about his conversion, sang, "Go Bury Thy Sorrow." Mr. Ford was a member of the Odd Fellows, United Commercial Travelers Association and Acker Post G. A. R. and each order was represented at the funeral and conducted its special service. The floral tributes were very numerous and beautiful each of the orders to which he belonged presenting one symbolical of the order.

The remains were on Friday morning taken to New Centerville, Wis., where services were held at the church there at 2:30 o'clock Elder Taylor conducting the same, music was furnished by the choir of the church and Mrs. George Lilliard rendered two solo: "Go Bury thy Sorrow" and "Some Sweet Day Bye and Bye," Miss Tessie Mason accompanist.

The remains of the deceased were buried beside those of Mrs. Ford's father and mother, Mr. and Mrs Edward Blake.

Mr. Ford leaves his bereaved wife, a brother, a sister and a host of friends to mourn their loss.

Those who accompanied the remains to New Centerville were: The widow, Elder Taylor, Zion City, Chicago; Deacon Geo. McGuire, Minneapolis; Mrs. Geo. Lilliard, Minneapolis; Miss Ruth Willholm, Merriam Park and Mrs. Woodbury, St. Paul.

Mr. Ford came to Coopers in the early eighties and formed a partnership with C. J. Lucken, going into the machinery busi-

ness which partnership was carried on for several years when Mr. Ford dropped out going to St. Paul where he lived up to the time of his death.

### The Leal Convention.

The twentieth annual convention of the Barnes and Griggs county W. C. T. U. met at Leal on Wednesday and Thursday of last week, June 10th and 11th. Everything seemed in harmony from the beautiful days of sunshine and quiet to the sincere and large-hearted hospitality of Leal's genuine people.

The convention was a great success.

The program was most excellent and carried out in a manner which reflected great credit on those participating. Every topic was timely and one listening could not fail to be impressed with the intelligence, the splendid showing of womanly independence, earnest thought and the right sort of real progression.

Mrs. Jackson Silbaugh of Seattle, Wash., national lecturer, gave two addresses. In Mrs. Silbaugh is combined great earnestness, enthusiasm, tact, intellect and an unusually pleasing presence. No one could listen to her and not be benefited.

The medal contest for Thursday evening was unavoidably omitted, most of the contestants being unable to be present. The convention was therefore favored with a second address by Mrs. Silbaugh. It was deemed wise to omit the admission fee on that evening and a collection was taken instead which amount-