

Mr. J. W. Houghton, father of the Houghton Brothers, died at the home of his son Wilmot last Thursday evening, Oct. 6, 1898, at 10:50 p. m., after a long and painful sickness. Dropsy combined with old age was the cause of his death. The deceased was 71 years old. He had been a great sufferer for two years but bore it all with patience. He was a devoted christian, being converted 29 years ago and joined the M. P. church of which he was a member until a year and a half ago when he joined the M. E. church at this place. Deceased was born at Haldemand, Canada, Jan. 22, 1828, and was united in marriage to Maranda Button, Oct. 2d, 1849. Eleven children is the result of the union—three girls and eight boys, and a widow and nine children survive him. Two daughters are residing at St. Clair, Mich., and seven sons now living in Griggs county. In 1858 he settled in St. Clair county and resided there until May, 1896, when he came to Griggs county where he has lived ever since. The funeral service was held at the M. E. church of this place last Saturday afternoon, Rev. B. A. Burns officiating, and the remains were laid to rest in the Cooperstown cemetery,