FREDERICK DELO. PIONEER, IS DEAD

Had Lived in Fremont Since 1861; Witnessed Many Changes

In the passing out of life of the late Fredrick Delo, which occured in January, 1925, the community as well as the surrounding country has lost one of its most ancient land marks. Born in Germany 87 years ago, he came to America as a steerage passenger with his father and younger brother in 1852, being twelve weeks in a sail boat on the ocean. In 1861, he came to Michigan and shortly after settled on 120 acres of land in southwest Fremont, which has ever since remained his home.

He was married in 1866 to Mary Garner. She died in October 1919. Eleven children were born to them, six boys and five girls. Four boys died in infancy and one daughter, Mrs. Clarissa Bellinger, died thirty-nine years ago, leaving an infant daughter, which the grand parents took into their hearts and home as their own. In the sixty three years spent in this community, he has witnessed many changes. He has seen the vast forests of pine and hardwood disappear, and slowly but steadily make room for the fine farms and beautiful buildings that Isabella county is now noted for. But his heart was ever in the past, among the tall whispering pines that he worked among so many years. And when neighbors, though miles apart, were so congenial, and, as it seemed to him, friends were many and more true. [illegible]

Being strictly honest in his dealings with his fellow men. He trusted too far. And in consequence was taken advantage of by unscrupulous persons who defrauded him out of most of his hard earned possessions. And his last days were spent in real hardships and want, and it often seemed to him in friendlessness, and his departure was often looked for longingly by him as a relief from the heartaches and burdnse of life. The last six weeks if his life were spent at his eldest daughter's at Sidney, where he received the best and kindest treatment.

His body was brought home and now rests in the vault her.e His funeral was held at the Church of God and the sermon preached by Elder Griffin, of Blanchard.

He leaves, besides the six children, twenty grandchildren, and eleven great grandchildren; two brothers, and a sister, and many other relatives and friends.

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Frederick Delo's Obituary