## Another Pioneer Gone

Adam Bickel was born in Center County, Pa., Feb. 22, 1807 and departed this life at his home in Pike Township, Friday, January 5, 1894; aged 86 years, 10 months and 17 days.

He was united in marriage to Mary Jones, Jan. 26, 1830 and to this union were born three sons and six daughters, four of whom have preceded him to the spirit world. He bore his sufferings with Christian patience and often called upon the Lord to take him home.

He always had a good word for everybody and would ask the Lord to bless his children and to everyone who would speak to him, he would reach out his hand and say, "Lord bless you."

He retained the right use of his mind until the vest last, and just before the spirit took its departure, he spoke out loud and distinctly said "Goodbye to all."

He was not connected with any earthly church, yet we feel confident that he was fully

resigned to the will of the Lord and was glad to depart and be at peace, as was Simeon of old. Father Bickel had been blind for the past nine years, yet he never complained. Thanks be to Him that doeth all things well. We believe today, that he has two good eyes to

behold the beauty and the glory of the redeemed in Heaven. His wife preceded him only a few days and is also at rest. He leaves five children and many relatives and a host of friends to mourn his departure.

The funeral services were attended by a large concourse of people, was conducted by Rev. Walter Ervin at Antioch M. E. Church, Sunday a.m. Jan. 7<sup>th</sup>. Interment in the cemetery near the church.

## Card of Thanks

To all who so kindly rendered assistance during the sickness and at the funeral of our dear father and mother who have been called away, we desire to express our grateful thanks. May the Lord reward you abundantly for your Christian sympathy. Children

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