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# Our Question Is Answered

In our last issue we asked "Who is next" to cross the threshold death into eternity. I presume most of us thought of one of our old and infirm as likely to be called. We guessed wrong. He who is the author and finisher of life had other plans.

On Monday the 27th the church bell at Jerico tolled for the funeral of Andrew Anderson.

He was the first child of Norwegian parentage to be born in the Crane Creek settlement. His parents, Ole Kleiven and wife with two little daughters, came as refugees from the Indian uprising at Yankton, S. Dak., and settled on the banks of Crane Creek, near the present Jerico, in the fall of 1863. The next spring, March 15, 1864, Andrew was born, and was, in all probability, baptized by the young Rev. V. Koren on his first visit to the new settlement, the same year. In due time the boy was confirmed by Rev. John Moses, the first resident pastor in these parts.

March 6, 1886, Mr. Anderson was united in marriage to Mary Johnson, a sister of Ole, Lars, and Charley Johnson. Fourteen children were born to them. Three of them are dead, one daughter lives in Osage, one at Clear Lake, Wis., and the other nine have settled in the home community.

Mrs. Anderson passed away in 1920. Mr. Anderson, a giant in stature and strength and physical ruggedness, was overcome by a little scratch on the hand; blood poisoning set in and did its deadly work. He passed away in the early morning of the 25th.

He is mourned by eleven children, all of them full grown, twenty-eight grand-children, three brothers and four sisters. Friends and relatives filled the large church to overflowing on the day of the funeral. We trust all received admonition and comfort from the sermon preached on Hebr. 9, 27–28.

#### The Assistant Pastor

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#### Church Directory H. M. Tjernagel, Pastor

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#### Standing Services

#### **JERICO**

First Sunday, Norwegian, 10:45 a. m. Third Sunday, English, 10:45 a. m. Saturday School every Saturday, 9:30 a. m. Confirmation class, 2 p. m. Fridays.

#### SAUDE

Second Sunday, Norwegian, 10:45 a. m. Fourth Sunday, English, 10:45 a. m. Saturday School, 2 p. m. Confirmation class, 9:30 a. m. Fridays. Fifth Sunday by special announcement.

ADELAIDE VAALA was confirmed at Saude on Sunday, April 12th. May our good Lord keep her steadfast in the saving truth that she knows so well.

THE PHOTOGAPH from which the cut on the opposite page was made, was taken about forty years ago. It shows the bonde on the Natvig farm in Aardal, Sogn, with his husmand and their wives and some of his children. What is a "bonde" and what is a "husmand"? Ask one of your friends that was born in Norway; he will tell you.

When we saw the picture at the home of the late Mrs. J. L. Natvig we were so struck by that group of womanly women and manly men, set in that majestic frame of firm mountains, that we decided it would be worth while to show the present generation what their ancestors looked like.

Look at them, sturdy as the mountains about them. Any sham about them? They look as solidly honest, and true, and faithful as the granite mountains towering above them. Have the many descendants of the Norwegian husmand in this country retained those admirable characteristics? We hope so.

Look again for it cost me about \$10.00 to bring the picture to you. Should anyone wish extra copies we can furnish a few, but we will ask a little pay for them to help pay for the cut.

#### OUR LENTEN OFFERING

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