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Below is a list of surnames I have online currently pertaining to my family in North Carolina, Iowa and New York mainly.

Can visit them at:

<http://www.freedomnet.com/~czar/surnames.htm>

(CADENHEAD), (LAMB), (NOAH), ADDY, AKERS, ALGER, ALITZ, ALLEN, ALLOWAY, ANDERSON, ANDERS, ARNOLD, ARRANTS, ASHLEY, ASH, ASLIN, ASSELIN, AXLINE, BARFIELD, BARNES, BARNTS, BARRETT, BARTLEY, BAURMAN, BEITZ, BELL, BENNETT, BETTMENG, BLACKBURN, BLACKMAN, BLOOD, BOLLIN, BOLTON, BOND, BOREN, BOURDEAU, BOWERSTOCK, BRANCH, BRECHBUHL, BREECE, BREIHOLZ, BRITT, BRODERSEN, BROWN, BRUGES, BRUNDIDGE, BUCKALLEW, BUCKNER, BUNTING, BURKEY, BURLINGHAM, BURNETT, BURROUGHS, BUSH, BUTLER, BYERS, BYRD, CADENHEAD, CALVERT, CANTERBURY, CARLSON, CARNEY, CASHEN, CHEESBROUGH, CLARK, CONDON, COOPER, COORE, CORKE, CRESS, CREW, CRUMPLER, DAMUTH, DART, DAVID, DAVIS, DAYHOFF, DEARBORN, DENIO, DENOYER, DEWALD, DITTENHOFER, DOSTAL, DREWELow, DUNCAN, DVORAK, EDWARDS, EGGERT, EHLTZ, ELLIS, ELLWOOD, ENABNIT, ERWIN, EWING, FAIRCLOTH, FARRELL, FELDMAN, FISCEL, FISCHER, FISHER, FITZGERALD, FORSBLOM, FRAZIER, FRIER, FUTCH, GALLAGHER, GARDNER, GERST, GIDDENS, GIFFORD, GILMORE, GOEDKEN, GORKIE, GRACEY, GRAFFT, GRIMAR, GULLEDGE, GUTIERREZ, HAGEMAN, HAGERMAN, HANSEN, HARGROVE, HARRIS, HARTMAN, HAWKS, HEASTY, HEATH, HEEREN, HENLEY, HERMAN, HIMES, HIPPI, HLADEK, HOBBS, HOFFSTETLER, HOLIDAY, HOLMES, HORNER, HOUSTMAN, HOUSTON, HOWARD, HOYKA, HUDSON, HUGHES, IRELAND, JACOBS, JASPER, JENSEN, JOBE, JOHNSON, JOHNSTON, JONES, KELLY, KENNEY, KIGYI, KILLETT, KINGSMILL, KING, KINLAW, KIRVING, KISTLING, KNIGHT, KNUDSEN, KRAPFL, KRAUS, KULA, KYLES, LABARGE, LABARRE, LAHIER, LATTICE, LAZET, LEE, LEHMAN, LESTER, LEWIS, LIVINGSTON, LONG, LUENSMAN, MAGEE, MALIN, MARJEAU, MCCORMICK, MCLEAN, MERCER, MERRITT, MERTA, MICHELS, MILES, MILLER, MINER, MINOR, MITTAN, MONTGOMERY, MOORE, MULLEN, NOLAN, NORDMAN, OKOVER, OLDFIELD, OLIPHANT, OLLERTON, PAGE, PALMER, PARCELL, PARKER, PARROTT, PATTERSON, PAUL, PETERSON, PETTERS, PHILLIPS, POPE, PORTER, POWERS, PRATT, RALSTON, RICHARDSON, RICH, RIOS, RITZE, ROBERTS, ROBINSON, RODIUS, ROHRER, ROLING, ROUSE, ROYAL, RUSHFORD, RUSH, RUSS, RYAN, SAMPICA,

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This article was written for the dedication services of the new Antioch Church building on June 22, 1952 by Mrs. Albert Benadom.

HISTORY OF OLD ANTIOCH CHURCH

In Jackson township, Jones County, Iowa on February 25, 1865 -- less than two months before the close of the Civil War and while Abraham Lincoln was yet President of the United States -- a small band of pioneer settlers of the Christian denomination, desirous of extending the Gospel Kingdom, and with prayer in their hearts and inspirational zeal held a meeting in the Hay schoolhouse, to lay plans for building the first Antioch church.

Eighty-seven years have passed since the adjournment of that little assembly. On the yellowed pages of the ancient church book, beautifully written in old time script, are to be seen the minutes of that memorable session, how the Rev. Joseph H. Johnson was chosen chairman and William Jeffries secretary, "for the purpose of selecting a location for the House of Worship on the same." Jacob Kramer gave one acre of land.

A committee of three was chosen to select the site, namely: Isaac Hay, F.M. Belknap and Anthony Waggoner.

The report of said committee was as follows: "On the raise of the hill on North side of road running from Anamosa to Maquoketa, and between the Hay schoolhouse and South-East corner of the same tract of land."

The House was to be built of brick with one foot walls and dimensions of thirty-two by forty feet, and they were to call this church Antioch. Free to all religious denominations when not occupied by the Christians.

A committee of four: F.M. Belknap, Anthony Waggoner, Isaac Hay and William Byerly were appointed to solicit funds for building the church.

The Building committee was as follows: Anthony Waggoner, Joseph Apt and Andrew Byerly; with William Jeffries as secretary and Isaac Hay, treasurer. Later, the name of Michael Byerly was added to this group. On March 11, 1865, the building committee was given the right to "proceed forthwith to let the job of construction."

From this time on until after the church was built, the records are very meager. No dates are available of the time the church was actually completed. No mention is made of the dedication. We do know, however, that the church stood for one year with no roof over it.

The wounds of the Civil War were fresh. Times were hard and money was very scarce. On down through the months to follow, we sense the struggle of the little a congregation in trying to finish their church. Too well they knew the trials, toil and bitter disappointments that attended their every achievement of that day.

But they also must have known the sweet triumph of success crown labor, when at last God's House stood before them in all its reverent grace and beauty.

For eighty-five years this sanctuary of Christian faith had weathered the storms of time, a monument to the consecration of our early churchgoers.

Rev. Joseph H. Johnson of the Christian denomination, was one the first pastors of Antioch church. (Rev. Johnson was the grandfather of Mrs. Will Hay and Mrs. Ray Stivers.)

The Rev. Nathan Potter was also an early pastor of this church. Most of the pioneer-day funerals were held at this place.

The first wedding to be held at Antioch was soon after the church was built. A young couple by the name of Ellen Waggoner and John Bean. The former being a daughter of Anthony Waggoner.

Roads were bad and travelling was slow, but in those days it was a privilege to attend church services. Men, women and children would come for miles in wagons, on horseback or walk to church. Sometimes services were held in the homes. If it were evening time the Scriptures were read by candlelight.

After the Christian organization, came the United Brethern to worship for many years at Antioch. Perhaps, as early as 1885 to 1905.

Some scanty records give the names of the Reverend Moffit, Harper, Cunningham and Clark as ministers who preached at this place and some very fruitful years are remembered.

The Presbyterians followed with Pastors, the Reverends Evans, Burhans, Badger and Prevost. The ensuing years were active ones.

One of the largest Sunday Schools in the history of the church was conducted here. Preaching services were held every Sunday, and beautiful musical programs were given.

The Ladie's Aid, called Antioch Social Circle, is a most active group, and for more than forty years has been a great help to the church and surrounding community.

We of today are proud of old Antioch's historical past and early traditions. Let us rejoice in God's goodness for the opportunity that was afforded us in worshiping here. Where bonds of constancy have been forged into lasting fellowships, each year a link in the golden chain.

Old Antioch church burned to the ground on January 3, 1950.

The sturdy band of early settlers who laid the plans for building this church, and many of their descendants have long ago joined that "innumerable caravan which moves to that mysterious realm," but their work here shall endure forever.

Speak reverently the name of the old Country Church. On hallowed ground it stood. It's memory a benediction.

HISTORY OF NEW ANTIOCH CHURCH

Up from the ashes of old Antioch church, a new church stands today! The faith and indomitable spirit of the ones who built it, set a record of achievement for future generations.

The gloomy task of clearing away the remains of what once had been so dear to the hearts of the whole community, seemed unsurmountable.

But the smoldering fires of disaster had no more than cooled, until plans were underway to replace the historical old church.

History seems to repeat itself. Just as that small assembly of long ago met in the Hay school house to formulate plans for building the Old Antioch Church; eighty-five years later, on exactly the same location at Antioch school house, a special meeting was held on March 3, 1950, to lay plans for the construction of a new church.

Earl Byerly, chairman, appointed the various committees. James Whitmore, Delbert Grafft and Darvin Hardersen were selected for the wrecking and disposal of remaining walls. The building committee was as follows: J.F. May, Alvin Byerly and J.E. Porter. On the finance committee were the following: Mrs. Ray Stivers, Miss Malinda Nielsen, Guy Byerly, Albert Benadom, Charles Zimmers, R.A. Russell and John Merril.

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Other meetings were held to complete the plans.

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Outside the \$2000 insurance, all the money was donated. Men and women worked for months giving of their time, labor and money, helping in every way possible, gifts of money coming from Michigan to California.

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Tho it seemed a Herculean task, by the 29th of May, 1951, the first cement for the foundation was poured. Soon the glazed tile walls were going up and nearly completed by fall. However, the roof and gables were not added until the next spring.

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The plastering was done the summer of 1952, also oak flooring was laid. The basement for recreational purposes had been completed, and a modern heating plant and lighting system installed.

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The dedication services for New Antioch church took place on Sunday evening, June 22, 1952. Rev. Roland Badger, then of Hopkinton, and who for many years before, had served as pastor of this church, gave the sermon.

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May we of the coming generation prove ourselves worthy of the consecrated efforts of the ones who have gone before -- "From whose falling hands the torch of Christianity has been thrown to us. Be ours to lift it high."

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The following verse was written for the dedication of the new church in 1952. Words were by Raleigh Houstman and Music by Roland Badger.

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The Little Brick Church

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On a little green hill is a little brick church
And it stands without song or fame;
By the side of the road in a good neighborhood
And Antioch is its name.

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CHORUS

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O Little Brick Church, as you stand on the hill,
How our hearts reach out to you now!
May the God above, Look down in Love,
Guard you, keep you, speak through you still.

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The disciples of your who built the Brick Church,
Have passed on to their reward,
But they left here with us the dear old Church
To honor, and to guard. (Chorus)

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Some come to the Church for a jolly good time,
While others come in tears,
But the Little Church stands for good and right,
In its ever increasing years. (Chorus)

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Long may the dear old Church bravely stand,
With its beacon light shining clear,
Sending its gleam out over the land
And to all, bringing hope and cheer. (Chorus)

MEMBERS OF OLD ANTIOCH CHURCH
(as taken directly from the secretary's book)

| Member | United | Baptized | Other |
|-------------------------------|-----------|--|--|
| Anthony Waggoner | 7-4-1858 | by Elder C.W. Shaw in Hardin Co. Ohio | |
| Mary M. Wilcox | 2-10-1861 | by O.F. Phelps Sept. 2, 1861 | |
| Abraham Landis | 3-24-1861 | by Elder C.W. Shaw | Died May 5, 1875 |
| Mariah M. Landis | 7-20-1861 | by Elder Walker | |
| Susannah Landis | 9-1-1861 | by O.F. Phelps Sept. 2, 1861 | Dismissed by letter March, 1875 |
| Margaret Smith | 9-1-1861 | by David Scott | Died Oct. 19, 1876 |
| L.B. Smith | 9-2-1861 | by Elder O.F. Phelps Sept. 2, 1861 | Died June 21, 1873 |
| Mathew Porter | | by Elder O.F. Phelps Jan. 19, 1861 | |
| File Belknap | 3-23-1862 | by J.W. Johnson April 25, 1863 | Name dropped May 13, 1871 |
| Rhoda Belknap | 3-23-1862 | | Died April 20, 1870 |
| Almira Porter | 5-11-1862 | by Elder J.N. Baker May 11, 1862 | |
| Joseph H. Johnson | 1-12-1863 | | Deceased |
| Catharine E. Johnson | 1-12-1863 | | <i>Dismissed</i> Dropped by letter |
| Heneretta Brown | 1-15-1863 | | Moved away Oct. 28, 1870 |
| Valentine May | 7-12-1863 | | Died |
| Eliza Waggoner | 1-3-1865 | | |
| Emerilla Byerly | 1-8-1865 | | Moved away April 17, 1871 |
| Michael Byerly | 2-12-1865 | | |
| Elizabeth Byerly | 2-12-1865 | | |
| William Jeffries | 2-12-1865 | | Dismissed by letter Oct. 10, 1874 |
| Barbara Jeffries | 2-12-1865 | | Dismissed by letter Oct. 10, 1874 |
| Barbara Ann Byerly | 2-12-1865 | by Elder J.N. Baker Dec. 26, 1869 | |
| Catharine Byerly | 3-12-1865 | | Died Sept. 27, 1875 |
| Catharine Kramer | 9-3-1866 | | |
| Daniel Beam | 3-3-1867 | by Elder J.N. Baker Dec. 26, 1869 | Name dropped they having joined another church |
| Catharine Eliza- beth Beam | 3-3-1867 | by Elder J.N. Baker Dec. 26, 1869 | Name dropped they having joined another church |
| Nathan Potter | 1-9-1867 | | |

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| Clementine Potter | 1-9-1867 | | Deceased June 19 1894 in full faith and hope the Savior |
| Edward Wilcox | 10-11-1867 | | May 8, 1869 name dropped for unchristian conduct |
| Susan Margaret Byerly | 3-7-1867 | by Elder Nathan Potter May 12, 1870 | |
| J.B. Landis | 9-1-1861 | by Elder O.F. Phelps Sept. 2, 1861 | Dismissed by letter |
| Ruth Emily Northey | 1-10-1869 | | Dismissed by letter Aug. 31, 1872 |
| Martha Smith | 7-11-1869 | | Moved away |
| Robert Northey | 1-2-1870 | | Dismissed by letter Aug. 31, 1872 |
| James Cummings | 1-2-1870 | by Elder James N. Baker Jan. 2, 1870 | |
| Harriett Cummings | 1-2-1870 | by James N. Baker Jan. 2, 1870 | Dismissed by letter March 8, 1879 |
| Mary Waggoner (now Alspach) | 1-2-1870 | by James N. Baker Jan. 2, 1870 | |
| Lucy Ellen Waggoner (now Beam) | 1-2-1870 | by O.F. Phelps Sept. 2, 1861 | |
| Delia J. Brainard | 1-16-1870 | | Dismissed by letter May 12, 1870 |
| John H. Beam | 1-16-1870 | | |
| Adam Byerly | 1-14-1872 | | |
| George Cummings | 1-14-1872 | | Moved away March 8, 1879 |
| Angeline Cummings | 1-14-1872 | by Elder Nathan Potter June 9, 1872 | Moved away March 8, 1879 |
| Cornelious Smith | 1-14-1872 | by Elder Nathan Potter April 14, 1872 | Moved |
| Mary C. Porter | 1-14-1872 | by Elder Nathan Potter April 14, 1872 | Dismissed by letter March 10, 1877 |
| John Blackford | 1-14-1872 | | |
| Lydia Blackford | 1-14-1872 | | |
| Thomas Blackford | 1-21-1872 | | |
| Rofs Porter | 1-21-1872 | | |
| Sarah Jane Porter | 1-21-1872 | | |
| James Carter | 1-21-1872 | | |
| Rhoda Jane Carter | 1-21-1872 | | |

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| Luther Smith | 1-21-1872 | | Name dropped by order of the church Sept. 13, 1873 |
| Homer VanAmburg | 1-21-1872 | by Elder Nathan Potter May 19, 1872 | Dismissed by letter 1873 |
| Lurinda VanAmburg | 1-21-1872 | | Moved away |
| Enoce Warner | 1-21-1872 | | Dropped by letter |
| Emma Warner | 1-21-1872 | | Died 1878 |
| Herman Warner | 1-21-1872 | by Elder Nathan Potter June 9, 1872 | Died |
| William Tallman | 1-21-1872 | by Elder Nathan Potter April 20, 1872 | Dismissed by letter Dec. 7, 1872 |
| Rachel Tallman | 1-21-1872 | | Dismissed the 7th day of Dec. 1872 by letter |
| Grace Waggoner | 1-21-1872 | | Gone to M.E. Church |
| Owen Johnson | 1-21-1872 | | Name dropped by order of the church |
| Naoma Johnson (now Landis) | 1-21-1872 | by Elder Nathan Potter June 9, 1872 | Deceased |
| Parthena Waggoner | 1-21-1872 | | Moved away |
| Elijah VanAnken | 1-21-1872 | | Dismissed by letter Jan. 30, 1872 |
| Caroline VanAnken | 1-21-1872 | | Dismissed by letter Jan. 30, 1872 |
| Thomas M. Belknap | 1-28-1872 | by Elder Nathan Potter April 28, 1872 | Dismissed by letter March 10, 1877 |
| Zechariah Waggoner | 1-30-1872 | by Elder Nathan Potter June 9, 1872 | Dismissed by letter |
| Sarah Waggoner | 1-30-1872 | by Elder Nathan Potter June 9, 1872 | Dismissed by letter |
| Alexander W. Hay | 1-31-1872 | | Dropt |
| Phebe Hay | 1-31-1872 | | Dismissed by letter |
| Robert Grewcock | 2-10-1872 | | Dismissed by letter |
| Annie Grewcock | 2-10-1872 | by Elder Nathan Potter June 9, 1872 | Dismissed by letter |
| Mary Ann Grewcock | 3-24-1872 | by Elder Nathan Potter June 9, 1872 | Dismissed by letter |
| Charles Tnielove | 3-24-1872 | | Moved away |
| Wm. H. Sarabee | 3-24-1872 | | Moved away |
| Thomas Maxwell | 4-28-1872 | | Moved away |

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| Agnes Maxwell | 4-28-1872 | | Moved away |
| John Fall | 4-28-1872 | by Elder Nathan Potter June 9, 1872 | Dropt |
| Emily Stalker | 8-11-1872 | | Moved away |
| Jacob W. Stalker | 8-11-1872 | | Moved away |
| George W. Ankeny | 1-13-1877 | | Moved away |
| Timothy L. Brown | 1-13-1877 | | |
| James Beam | 1-16-1877 | | Dropt |
| Louisa Beam | 1-16-1877 | | |
| Adella Comings | 1-16-1877 | | Moved away 1879 |
| Martha E. McFarland | 1-21-1877 | | |
| Samuel Ankeny | 1-27-1877 | | Moved away |
| Milton C. McFarland | 1-27-1877 | | |
| Olive Fall | 3-11-1877 | | Dropt, joined the U.B. Church |
| Clara C. Smith | 3-11-1877 | | Given letter of dismissal |
| Eliza Brown | 10-10-1878 | | |
| Thomas Dawson | 3-15-1879 | | Dropt by request Dec. 10, 1881 |
| Elta Beam | 12-16-1881 | | Dropt |
| Marg Beam | 12-16-1881 | by Elder Wm. Webb May 5, 1882 | Dropt |
| John Hay | 12-18-1881 | | Dropt |
| Catharine Hay | 12-18-1881 | | Dropt |
| Duglas Byerly | 12-18-1881 | | |
| Jennie Byerly | 12-18-1881 | | |
| Cordela Hay | 12-18-1881 | | |
| Mary C. Potter | 12-18-1881 | | |
| Elizabeth Jonson | 2-5-1881 | | |
| Mariah Byerly | 3-5-1881 | | |
| Olive A. Johnson | 3-5-1881 | | |
| Marg C. Johnson | 3-5-1881 | | |
| Cora Beam | 2-8-1887 | by Elder Wm. C. Smith April 10, 1887 | Name dropt |
| Charles Brown | 7-29-1887 | by Elder Wm. C. Smith July 29, 1888 | |
| Rhoda C. Brown | 7-29-1888 | by Elder Wm. C. Smith July 29, 1888 | |
| John L. Streeter | 7-29-1888 | | |
| Sarah S. Streeter | 7-29-1888 | | |

Anamosa Eureka, Sept. 28, 1865, Vol. IX, No. 51, p. 3.

"In Le Claire, Scott County, Iowa, Sept. 20th. 1865. Mrs. Lucinda, wife of James McCarn, aged about 50 years.

At Bowen's Prairie, Jones County, on the 16th inst., Thomas Bell, in his 72d year.

The deceased was one of the early settlers and was highly esteemed and very respected by a large circle of friends and acquaintances. I. R."

Copied from old issues of the Anamos Eureka

Thursday, April 25, 1872:

"Fifty-two years ago Iowa swarmed with buffaloes. An "Old Settler" tell the *Dubuque Times* that "as a contrast between 50 years ago and now it may be said that Captain Morgan with a few dragoons, passed Iowa from Council Bluffs to the hills 5 miles west of Dubuque in 1820. There he beheld what is now Dubuque city and Julian township covered with so many thousand of buffaloes passing southward that he remained in camp three days before daring to venture on his journey."

also Thursday, April 25, 1872:

From Wyoming-

"The Journal office has a lady typesetter. We have had such and know they are fully equal to boys and less osptreperous."

September, 1866:

Married: at Fairview Sept. 13, 1866 William J. Peregay and Mary I. Joslin all of Jones County.

Sept. 20, 1866:

J.S. Perfect was on the Republican slate for Jones Co. Recorder.

This may have been in the 1866 issue (possibly Oct 11-I forgot to record) about a penmanship group started in Anamosa:

Among the specimens of penmanship we noticed the Lord's Prayer written within the space of a silver 3 cent piece, by N.T. Kelly and still leaving room for the stars, etc. on the coin. Morgan Bumgardner, who lost his right arm at the assault on Vicksburg May 22, 1863, exhibited a very spirited picture of a lion, drawn with the left hand. C.H. Taylor also exhibited in penmanship and the entire exhibition in this class was very creditable.

August 16, 1866:

PENMANSHIP-A class in plain penmanship; card-writing, and etc. is now being organized at the school house in Anamosa. Term commencing Friday 8 o'clock A.M. August 17. All lovers of the art are invited to give us a call.

-P.S. Ihrig, Teacher

Thursday, April 17, 1890

Langworthy Leaflets

Langworthy, April 15, 1890

Mr. and Mrs Mayberry, Mr and Mrs. Head and Mr. and Mrs. Fowler attended the Joslin and Holcomb wedding in Anamosa last Wednesday.

Cass Commentaries

Omer Fuller and G.G.Ketcham are experimenting with incubators this spring.

J.S. Condit was sevefly kicked by a horse a short time ago.

Submitted by Laurie Schrick 1132 Wood Ridge Rd Lexington KY 40514

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Does anyone have information on Jacob Dearth? Patricia J McCreary 209 1st Ave NW
Winnebago MN 56098

Does anyone have information on the whereabouts of Mary Sherman, daughter of Thomas
and Catherine Quigley Sherman? Mrs. Dorothy Dingfelder 824 Arbutus Ave Chico CA 95926

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"At Bowen's Prairie, Jones Co., Iowa, on the 2d inst. Mr. David
Stone, aged 96 years, 7 mos. and 72 days,

At Prospect Hill, Jones County, Oct. 5th, 1865, Ida J. Matson,
daughter of Mrs. Hubbell, aged 7 years.

The funeral services will be held at the Congregational church to-
morrow at 1 o'clock."

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