

**SARBAUGH, GEORGE**  
May 10, 1850-January 5, 1904

Again were the people of the Wheatland community called upon to mourn the death of a beloved citizen in the demise of Mr. George Sarbaugh, who passed away at his home, 5 miles south of town, on Tuesday evening at 7:00 o'clock, surrounded by his immediate relatives and sympathizing friends.

Mr. Sarbaugh had been confined to his room but a few days, and his death, coming so unexpectedly, to sever a life of activity and usefulness, casts a gloom over the hearts of his friends who are a legion throughout this section of this county. Mr. Sarbaugh was taken sick Friday last, with a swelling in the throat, which later developed into an abscess. It is believed the trouble was caused by a small stem of hay becoming lodged at the roots of tongue. Mr. Sarbaugh sometimes, when working about his ranch, would pick up a spear of hay and chew it for a few moments, a practice which is not an uncommon one. In this way, it is thought a small particle from a stem became embedded in the flesh near the roots of the tongue, and although the trouble at first considered unimportant, it at length developed into an abscess which baffled the best efforts of medical skill. The real cause of death was blood poisoning, due to absorption into the blood of the pus that formed in connection with the abscess.

The deceased was born near Zaneville, Ohio, May 10, 1850, and was in his 54<sup>th</sup> year. Coming west he located near Lagrange, this county, where he was engaged in stock raising for a number of years. He moved to this place about four years ago and acquired a ranch property in the Chugwater valley, south of Wheatland, where he had established a desirable home, and where he had lived in comfort and happiness with his sister, Mrs. Mary Arnold.

Mr. Sarbaugh was a man of many virtues, just and honorable in his dealings with others, kind and congenial and of a sympathizing nature, he made friends everywhere and his death is universally mourned in the community.

The deceased leaves the three sisters, Mrs. Mary Arnold of this place, Mrs. Ella Bunting of Zaneville, Ohio and Mrs. George W. Eldridge of Vineyard Haven, Mass., and a brother, Amos Sarbaugh of Wheatland.

Funeral services were held at the Congregational church yesterday, the 7<sup>th</sup> inst. at 11:00 o'clock, Rev. J. W. Moore preaching the funeral sermon, and the remains were laid at rest in the Wheatland cemetery.

The pallbearers were R.F. Gunson, E.T. David, E.P. Hill, O. Scovell, F.N. Shiek, and O.V. Sebern.

The last sad rites were largely attended by friends of the deceased, thus attesting the esteem in which he was held.