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ANOTHER ADAMS COUNTY PIONEER DEAD John Christian Meyer Passes Away at Age of Ninety-one

DECATUR, Ind. Aug 12 - John Christian Meyer, aged ninety years and eleven months died last night at the home of his son, John Meyer, on Fourth street. The aged man had been bedfast four weeks, but suffered no pain, and his death was simply from weakness attending old age. He was born in Feldt, Prussia, September 11, 1818, and in 1844 was married to Miss Mary Hess. Seven children were born to them in Germany, and in 1866 he came with his family to the United States. They lived two years in Ohio, and then came, in 1868, to this county, settling on a farm two miles south of this city where they lived until the death of his wife ten years ago, since which he has been making his home with his children. He leaves the following children: Peter and Mrs. Thresa Colchin, of this county; Mrs. Mary Gross and John, of this city; Jacob, of Colorado; Mrs. Katie Liechtle, of Fostoria, O. A daughter, Catherine, died in Germany at the age of thirteen, and a daughter, Margaret, in Ohio, aged twenty-three. His only brother, Jacob, died in Germany a few years ago. There were but the two children in his father's family. An unusual thing is that his death occurred on the same day as the wedding of his grandson, Dr. Lawrence Meyer, of Monroeville, son of John Meyer, of this city, to Miss Justina Steinman, of Minster, Ohio, the wedding taking place yesterday morning in the St. Mary's church at Minster, Ohio. The funeral of Mr. Christian Meyer will take place Saturday morning at 8:30 o'clock, standard time, from the St. Mary's Catholic church in this city.

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