John Porter Ferguson June 20, 1853 - Jan. 26, 1917

John Porter Ferguson was born in the township of Exeter, Green Co., Wis. June 20, 1853, and died on the same homestead Jan. 26, 1917 from heart failure. He was the fifth child of seven born to John and Almeda Ferguson who were married in 1845 and at once settled on the same homestead.

His illness dates back to last summer when he was suddenly attacked with heart trouble while at Colorado Spring, Col. He returned home, and although the best was done for him that medical skill and loving hands could do, death finally claimed its victory. The funeral services were held at the home on Sunday P. M. and were conducted by Rev. A. S. Stauffacher of Monroe.

With the exception of seven yeas spent on a farm he owned near Beloit he has always resided on the old homestead in Exeter. He is survived by two brothers and one sister— William, Nathaniel and Sarah, all of whom are living on the homestead — and one niece, Mrs. Ivan Ruff of Belleville who also grew up on this same homestead her mother dying when the daughter was but nine years of age.

Another cord has been broken in the strong ties binding this family together.

John Ferguson, like his father before him, was a good citizen, several years prominent in town affairs, and will long be remembered for his sterling qualities.

NOTE: He is interred in the Exeter cemetery.