

Christian Messerli
June 21, 1829 – Feb. 1922

Christian Messerli, well known to many readers of The Messenger, passed away on Sunday last at the home of his daughter, Mrs. Fred Zimmerman, of Darlington, the end coming as a result of complications incident to old age.

Mr. Messerli was born June 21, 1829, at Wattenwyl, Canton of Berne, Switzerland. He received his education in the schools of that place and grew to manhood there, where his marriage to Miss Maria Staehli also took place.

Mr. Messerli was a cheesemaker by trade and followed that vocation in the old country as well as for a long term of years after coming to America and settling in, Green county, which was in the year 1855. Mrs. Messerli's death occurred nineteen years ago and since that time he had made his home with his daughters, Mrs. John Dick, of Monticello, and Mrs. Fred Zimmerman, of Darlington. Another daughter, Miss Bertha Messerli, also survives him.

Mr. Messerli was 92 years and 8 months of age at the time of his death. Besides the three daughters above mentioned, he is survived by thirteen grandchildren and three great-grandchildren,

His remains were brought here from Darlington for interment, burial taking place at Highland cemetery Tuesday afternoon following a brief service at the Dick hone Rev. A. Muehlmeier officiated,

Mr. Messerli was a man of kind and generous disposition and the news of his death will be received with sorrow among his many old friends in Green and adjoining counties.