

### Death of a Pioneer.

After an illness of several years Jos. F. Lamdin, one of the best known citizens of this county, died Wednesday about noon, at his residence on Division street. His death was no surprise.

Joseph F. Lamdin was born in Talbot county, Maryland, January 10, 1828. In his fifteenth year he went to Baltimore and secured a situation in a dry goods store. March 22, 1849, he sailed for California on the ship "Samoset," via Cape Horn, and arrived at San Francisco Sept. 10. He proceeded to Benicia where he clerked for Wetmore & Gray until the following April. Then he went to Stockton in charge of a branch store. In the fall of 1851 he formed a partnership with H. T. Compton and continued in the dry goods business in Stockton until 1858, though during much of the time Mr. Lamdin lived in San Francisco attending to the firm's business in that city. In 1859 he came to Napa and engaged in merchandising until 1868 when he confined himself to the express business, having been Well Fargo & Co.'s agent since 1863. He remained in the employ of the Express Company until about three years ago.

He married in Stockton, in 1859, Miss Althea Parker, who survives him with five children, all grown.

Deceased served as a Director of the Napa Insane Asylum and was for a long time one of the managing board of Napa College. He was also trustee of Napa School District and held other positions of trust and honor. He was a member of the Society of California Pioneers.

The funeral will be held Friday, July 16th, at 2 p. m. from the family residence.