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Death of Hon. J. V. Daniels.

The telegraph announces the death at his home in Rochester yesterday of Hon. J. V. Daniels, for many years prominently identified with the history of the state, and with the republican party in Minnesota, and during his residence in Olmsted county, extending over twenty-five years, a leading and influential citizen and business man. The immediate cause of Mr. Daniels's death was neuralgia of the heart. His death will bring both pain and surprise to his friends throughout Minnesota who knew him as a pushing, enterprising and

successful business man and a keen and clear-minded public servant even at the ripe old age of seventy-one, which he had reached at the time of his death. But few men bore their years as lightly as did Mr. Daniels, and although for many sessions of the state legislature, of which he was a member, he was distinguished as the oldest member in either house, at the close of the last session he had all the appearances of many years more of life and usefulness. Mr. Daniels was born in New York state in 1810, and came to Minnesota in 1856, embarking in business at Rochester, where he established the banking house now known as the Union National, of which he was president at the time of his death. In 1862 he was elected to a seat in the state senate, and four times re-elected successively, serving in that body up to 1868. In 1875 he was elected to a seat in the house of representatives and the following year to a seat in the senate, serving during the sessions of 1876 and 1877, and was at the time of his death a member of the house of representatives, having served in one body or the other of the Minnesota legislature during eleven sessions, and assisted in almost every senatorial election since his first election. At the beginning of the session of last winter he was prominently mentioned in connection with the speakership, and has frequently been regarded as eligible gubernatorial timber. The people of Rochester and of Olmsted county who knew his abilities and character best, and who appreciated him most, have otherwise repeatedly honored him with positions of public trust. In fact he possessed the confidence of the people of his locality in an exceptional degree, and justified the confidancy fully in his long business career, and as a public man. As a legislator he was a valuable servant to the state and his constituency, his candor, his high personal character, his genial good humor, and his abilities assuring him exceptional influence in every body to which he belonged. His death is a loss to the state, and a deeper one to the community in which he lived.

Mr. Daniels was an outspoken advocate of a settlement of the bond question in a county where it cost something to stand up for honest settlement, and one of the latest acts of his life was the writing of a letter, received by Gov. Pillsbury yesterday, commending him for his action in calling an extra session of the legislature to settle the question. During the discussion of the subject last winter, Mr. Daniels proved a potent influence in favor of an adjustment of a question his long legislative experience had made him thoroughly familiar with.