COL. A. W. ANTHONY DEAD.

One of Morgan's Most Prominent Citizens Passes Away.

Col. A. W. Anthony, one of Morgan's oldest and honored citizens, and one of the most distinguished lawyers and statesmen in central Missouri, is dead.

He passed away quietly yesterday morning at 6 o'clock, at his residence one and one-half miles west of this city.

Col Anthony had been confined to his bed only a few days, and the announcement of his death was a shock to his friends.

He began to sink early yesterday morning and it soon became apparent to the anxious watchers about his bedside that the sands of life were running low, and that in a few hours his soul would be at rest. His last moments were calm and peaceful. He entered the valley of the shadow as peacefully as he ever fell asleep. The nature of his malady was gripped together with kidney trouble.

The death of Col. Anthony will occasion general regret throughout Morgan county and all over the state, in which he was widely known.

A. W. Anthony was one of the oldest attorneys at Versailles and has been in active practice of the law in the courts of Central Missouri, State and Federal, for a quarter of a century.

He was born in Boone county, Mo., and was 66 years of age at the time of his death. He has lived in Morgan county since he was seven years of age. He was reared on a farm, and worked with his father's hands until he was some seventeen years of age, after which he taught school for about two years, and when nearly twenty years of age he went into the office as deputy under Thomas Monroe, who was clerk of the circuit and county courts of Morgan county. He remained with Mr. Monroe about two years, and then he went to law in the office of William H. Robinson. He was licensed to practice by the late Judge G. W. Miller. In 1853 he married Miss Susan A. Robinson, a native of Howard county, and a daughter of the late Sidney S. Robinson. Mr. and Mrs. Anthony never had any children, but have reared and educated eleven children of others. From 1850 to 1861 Mr. Anthony was a clerk in the House of Representatives during the session of the Legislature, and in the fall of the last-mentioned year he joined Gen. Price's command (Missouri State Guard), then encamped on Sue River, in St. Clair county. About December 22, 1861, the army moved from there to Springfield, Mo. While encamped at the last-mentioned place Mr. Anthony, at the solicitation of Col. Applegate (aid-de-camp), was assigned a position on the staff of Gen. Price, which he held for about a week only, when, on account of a difficulty with Adj.-Gen. Brand, who was frequently intoxicated, he was ordered to the ranks. After the battle of Pea Ridge, and prior to the transfer of Price's army east of the Mississippi, he returned home (his term of enlistment expiring) and remained a short time, after which he went north of the Missouri river. After experiencing many vicissitudes he came back to Versailles, February 8, 1865. To put it in his own language, he "went out in 1861 worth about $15,000, and reached home worth about 15 cents." He always took an active part in all public enterprises, and in the political affairs of the State. He was elected to the office of prosecuting attorney in 1872, to the State Legislature in 1876, was a delegate to the National Convention at St. Louis that nominated Tilden for President in 1876, and was a delegate to many of the State conventions and the congressional conventions of his district held since the war. He was a clear-headed, able lawyer, a good political speaker, a reliable friend and a persistent, uncompro

The bereaved wife has the sincere sympathy of the community.