BUCHANAN, Dr. Robert Emmet

Born: 1861
Iowa
Died: 1922
Independence, Iowa

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PIONEER TURNER COUNTY DOCTOR PASSES AWAY

Dr. Robert Emmet Buchanan, Former Dakotan, Dies in Independence, Ia., Home

Parker, March 16.—Information has ben received here of the death at the family home at Independence, Ia., of Dr. Robert Emmet Buchanan. He served as superintendent of the state hospital for the insane at Yankton previous to the regime of the late Dr. L. C. Mead.

Dr. Buchanan was born in Iowa and in 1872, when 11 years of age, came with his parents to Turner county, locating on a homestead in Spring Valley township. He began the study of medicine under the late Dr. A. L. Peterman, coming to Parker with Dr. Peterman when the latter moved from Swan Lake to Parker in the year 1881. Not long after this Robert Buchanan entered the Rush medical college, Chicago, and was graduated therefrom in due time, and then returned to Parker and entered into partnership with Dr. Peterman. This partnership ended a few years later when Dr. Buchanan became superintendent of the asylum for the insane at Yankton. After leaving Yankton, about 1887, he returned to Parker and resumed the practice of medicine and surgery, in which he was very successful.

He then, with his family, moved to Independence, Ia., about 1890 and entered into the practice there. He became one of the leading physicians and surgeon of Iowa.