

Joseph Schreiner.

The late Joseph Schreiner, whose death was announced in the last issue of this paper, was one of the very few Tiffin citizens of today who were active during the two terrible cholera plagues which raged in this city during the summers of 1852 and 1854. Mr. Schreiner was then employed as an undertaker by John Fiege, the father of the Fiege brothers and he either buried alone or assisted in burying about all of the cholera victims in this city at that time. It was a common sight to see Mr. Schreiner at the dead of night alone on top of the hearse, hauling the body of a cholera victim to the old city cemetery, where he would bury it unaided. He never feared the plague, nor was he ever attacked by it, although he worked almost day and night among the sick and the dead. Those who remember those terrible days state that Mr. Schreiner was probably the most active and most fearless person in the city.

Joseph Schreiner was born in Fuchshausen, Fultz, Germany, on March 25, 1826, and came to America early in 1847, settling in Pittsburg, but came to Tiffin the same year. He was employed for many years as an undertaker by Fiege Bros., and afterward by Joseph L. Ranker. On November 2, 1854, he was married to Miss Maria Betzenderfer and to them were born two children, one son and one daughter, of whom the former, Henry Schreiner, survives with his aged mother.

During his many years of residence in this city, Mr. Schreiner was always known as an honorable and upright man, who won for himself the esteem of his fellowmen. His was a long and useful career and in his death he leaves the priceless legacy of an untarnished name.

The funeral takes place from St. Joseph's Catholic church at 8 o'clock Wednesday morning.