

✓

From the Pioneer Journal of May 13, 1911

**TO SOUND OUT THE SENTIMENT**

**PEOPLE GENERALLY ARE NOT IN FAVOR OF CEMETERY RECEIVING VAULTS, 'TIS SAID. LADIES WANT TO LEARN SENTIMENT OF THE PEOPLE BEFORE SPENDING MONEY.**

It is not an open question whether a receiving vault will be built in the Wadena cemetery this year. The ladies of the cemetery association have been doing a good deal of corresponding with towns which have erected receiving vaults, to learn something of plans and to get estimates of cost.

Many of the replies to their inquiries advise the ladies not to build a receiving vault at all, as it is said that communities do not generally take kindly to receiving vaults. The sentiment of a majority of people, it is said, seems to be decided against them.

Having learned this much from outside sources, the Wadena ladies have been quietly sounding local sentiment, and they have been surprised to find that Wadena people do not look with favor on receiving vaults. Most all of the people thus far approached declare that they would not think of allowing the bodies of their beloved ones to repose for a time in a receiving vault. What practically amounts to double interment does not seem to be relished by most people.

In view of this feeling on the part of so large a proportion of the people, the Wadena ladies have decided to first learn the true sentiment of the community on this point before going ahead and spending several hundred dollars in erecting something which will not be generally used.

The Pioneer Journal has been requested to give this matter due publicity and all persons are at liberty to give their views either through the columns of this newspaper or directly to the ladies of the cemetery association.