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## Death Takes Well-Known Fruit Grower

Cary W. Montgomery, pioneer apple grower and horticulturist of Licking county, died Wednesday at 8:45 p. m. in the Hudson avenue nursing home. He would have observed his 93rd birthday anniversary Oct. 14, and had been in failing health for several months.

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Mr. Montgomery, widely known as an orchardist, had owned and operated Chestnut Hill Fruit farm, east of Newark the past 60 years.

He was associated with the Wooster Experiment Station 14 years as chief farm manager of state experimental farms and contributed years of effort to the public interest as an institute lecturer in connection with the horticultural extension work.

A native of Madison township, Licking county, he was born Oct. 14, 1855, the son of John F. and Mary E. (Wickham) Montgomery.

Through his activity for many years in the State Horticultural society, he was made a life-time and honorary member. He was also a life member of Madison grange and a member of the National grange.

In his experiments in apple culture at his fruit farm, Mr. Montgomery originated the Montgomery apple, which he named for his father and also the Indianola apple.

In his youth he became a member of the old Ohio National Guard and held the rank of Lt. Colonel in the guard for years.

He was a member of East Main Street Methodist church, but early in life affiliated with the Bowling Green Methodist church in Hanover road and throughout the ensuing years kept up his interest in the maintenance and care of the church.

Mr. Montgomery's wife, the former Martha Montgomery, died in 1923. Surviving are a daughter, Mrs. Stanley Aldridge and a grandson, Richard Montgomery Aldridge of Willoughby.

The body is at the Gutliph & Henderson funeral home and funeral services will be held there Friday at 2:30 p. m. Rev. R. E. Linder will conduct the service and burial will be made in Cedar Hill cemetery.