

[Root, Isaac]

By the Rev. Anson Titus

Rev. Isaac Root was of Connecticut, a patriot of the Revolution, an early laborer in the Baptist communion, became a Universalist minister in 1802, preached to scattered congregations in Maine from 1804 until 1815, when he took up his residence in Mottville, Onondaga County, and until 1818 was a faithful attendant with [Rev.] Nathaniel Stacy upon the associations, and in proclaiming the unsearchable riches of divine grace. His grave stone in the Mottville cemetery says: "In memory of Rev. Isaac Root, minister of the Universalian doctrine; died June 7, 1818, age 62 years." He was the first clergyman of the faith in our region to pass from his earthly labors. He was mourned by the believers and his memory was tenderly treasured. He died upon a Sabbath day, a few miles from his home, where he had gone and preached. He died with the harness on. Descendants reside still in the community.

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