

[Aitkin, William]

NEW YORK MILLS.

—Monday, William Aitkin, an old and respected citizen of this place, while in the County Clerk's Office in Utica, was stricken with apoplexy and expired soon after. The deceased was born in Glasgow, Scotland, December 1, 1809, and came to this country in 1840, and settled in Dutchess County, where he lived for many years, moving from that county to New York Mills, where he has since resided. He was a member of the old 146th regiment and participated in all the battles of the late war in which that regiment was engaged. He was severely injured at the (Weldon railroad?) engagements. Mr. Aitkin possessed a strong constitution and had never been sick a day during his life. He was a man honored and respected by all and had many friends who will be pained to learn of his sudden death. He leaves a widow and four sons, William R., Thomas and David, of this place, and John S. Aitkin, of Utica, who have the sincere sympathy of all in their sad affliction. The deceased was a valued member of the Church of the Reconciliation [Universalist] of Utica, and of Ross Post, G.A.R. The funeral was held Thursday afternoon from the M. E. church and was largely attended. Ross Post, G.A.R. and Bayne Camp, S. of V., attended in a body, the former taking charge of the funeral.

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