

[Bettis, Henry W.]

HENRY W. BETTIS

One of Utica's Oldest Residents Who Passed Away Thursday

Thursday morning, at the Home for Aged Men and Couples, Henry W. Bettis passed away after a long illness. Mr. Bettis was born in Westmoreland October 11, 1815. He obtained his education in the public schools and learned the trade of a shoemaker. He had led a varied life and traveled extensively in this country and South America. He lived in Utica at various times, and since 1872 had made this city his home, conducting a cobbler's shop on Columbia street. Since 1894 he had been an inmate of the Home for Aged Men and Couples. In politics he was a Democrat and he was an attendant of the Universalist Church. His surviving relatives are a daughter, Mrs. Minnie Boggs, of Syracuse, and three brothers, Benjamin, of Wisconsin, Josiah, of Michigan, and John, of California.

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