

[Cash, Nathan]

DEATHS

On the 24th of April, at his residence in Stafford, Genesee co., N.Y., Capt. NATHAN CASH, in the 85th year of his age. The subject of this notice was a venerable man in many respects. He seemed to retain all his faculties to the last, and gave all directions concerning his business, up to the day before his death, with as much clearness and judgment, as he did in former years of his life. He was born in Orange county, in this State. He was left an orphan at an early period in his life, and thereby made dependent upon his own energies in after life. He had passed through many trying scenes in his younger days. Was taken prisoner by the Indians at the massacre at Wyoming when a small lad, but escaped through the presence of mind of an excellent mother, who, with six other children, all young, escaped while the Indians were plundering one of the Forts, and made her way 50 miles through a wilderness, to the settlements in the direction of Orange co., N.Y. The subject of this notice was three times during his life, a pioneer in making Settlements in different parts of our then new Territory. First, on the Susquehanna River, in the county of Bradford, Pa.—The second in Scipio (now Ledyard,) Cayuga co., N.Y., and the third and last time in this county, in 1817, where he has resided up to the time of his death. He was what may be called emphatically a self made man. Has left a large family, all in good circumstances. Has lived to a good old age to see all his children settled in life near him. In his religious belief he was a Universalist, and always gave his support to that denomination, whenever an opportunity presented. His funeral was attended at his late residence by numerous relatives and a large congregation of sympathizing friends, on the 27th of April, and an excellent discourse delivered on the occasion by Rev. Mr. Weightman, of Byron. Br. [George] Montgomery [of Rochester, Universalist] was sent for, but could not attend on account of his health. In the death of Father Cash, his children have reason to mourn the loss of an excellent father and benefactor, and many others whom he has befriended will also remember him as one who was always ready to assist all who were in need, as far as consistent.

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