

[Dunn, Peter]

Genesee Falls.

Peter Dunn, an old and respected citizen of this town, died at his home near Portageville, May 20th. Mr. Dunn was widely known as a man of energy, wealth and influence. He came into this region with the engineers of the Genesee Valley Canal, as an axman, when about 22 years of age; was afterwards a foreman in the work of building, and after the completion was a contractor for repairs to a considerable extent. About the year 1843, in company with his brother-in-law, Hiram P. Mills, of Mt. Morris, he purchased the Fort Hill farm, where he resided for several years and until he bought the Clark place, where he lived until his death. He, with his brother, John Dunn, who survives him, had become the owners of the Whitney and Smith, besides a large tract of timbered land on the hill west of the river valley. His word was always as good as his bond in business transactions, as every one ever having dealt with him can certify. He always took an active part in politics as a Republican, and served as Supervisor of the town four terms, besides holding other offices of honor and trust. Deceased was 69 years of age, and leaves no family—his wife, who was formerly Fanny Buckout, of Castile, having died about twenty years previous. The funeral, which took place on Tuesday, was largely attended by his numerous friends and relatives, and conducted by the Rev. I. [Isaac] P. Coddington [Universalist], of Nunda. The remains were taken to Mt. Morris for interment.

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