

[Harris, Nathan]

Obituary.

On December 17, at his home in the town of Pulteney, occurred the death of Nathan Harris, a lifelong resident and one of the most highly respected citizens of the town. The immediate cause of death was Bright's disease, although Mr. Harris had been gradually breaking down for years. He was born in Italy, Yates county, June 18, 1840. When [he was] two years old his parents moved into the town of Pulteney on the farm adjoining the one where he passed away. Mr. Harris was a carpenter by trade to which he devoted a large share of his early manhood. He afterwards followed threshing as a business. The latter years of his life he passed upon the farm, and in his declining years, his voice became familiar in nearly every household in the region as the operator for a number of telephone lines having a switchboard in his home. [On] August 19, 1874, he married Miss Malinda Hughs by whom he is survived. Two sons, Charles Harris of Prattsburgh and Walter Harris who resides at home with the mother; two sisters, Mrs. William Powell of Michigan, and Mrs. William Roberts of Hornell; and one brother, Miles Harris of Pulteney, also survive. He served in the 161st regiment, war of the Rebellion, and was a member of Henry C. Lyon Post, G.A.R., of Pulteney, a detail of the members acting as bearers at the funeral which was held at the home in Pulteney on Sunday, conducted by the Rev. Miss [Margaret] Brennon, pastor of the Branchport Universalist church. Interment in Glenwood cemetery.

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