

[Havens, Joseph]

DEATHS.

In the town of Livonia, Livingston county, on the 22d inst., Mr. J. HAVENS, aged 86.

This excellent man has, at last, in the ripeness of age, gone to his repose in the mansions of the dead. It is due to the public, and will, I trust, be satisfactory to his friends and relatives, to state that he lived and died in the embrace and enjoyment of Universalism. He had been a firm and unwavering believer of this doctrine for about forty years; and there was never a man who more fully and perfectly adorned his profession [of belief] than this beloved and pious brother. It would be next to impossible to speak in too high terms of commendation of his virtues and Christian deportment. Even his opponents in faith were constrained to say that he was emphatically a *Christian*. His generosity to the poor, his strong and overflowing sympathy for the distressed, his meekness, temperance, kindness to all, and in few words, his constant endeavors to do good, had [?] to him unbounded love and respect. He was a man who endured many hardships and privations in our country's struggle for independence, having once been taken captive by Indians and led away to Canada; and after suffering for some length of time...he obtained his freedom and returned once more to enjoy the sweets of the family circle. May Heaven grant its richest consolations to the mourning relatives; and enable them to rejoice with joy unspeakable and full of glory in seeing by faith, him, and his children, and his kindred race universally, resting in the perfect peace of immortality.

O. R. [Rev. Orrin Roberts]

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