

[Stauring, Hiram Alexander]

HIRAM ALEXANDER STAURING

Hiram Alexander Stauring died Saturday night, at his residence on Hough street, after an illness of nearly a year. Mr. Stauring was born in Danube in October, 1834, and consequently had just entered his 75th year. He was the son of John Stauring and Rebecca (Caspares) his wife. Before attaining his majority, H. A. Stauring was employed by various farmers in the vicinity of Newville, afterward working with his father as a carpenter and builder. After pursuing this business for several years, he with his father and brother, undertook the management of a dairy farm in Little Falls, Minden, and Danube, having charge for a number of years of the Zoller home farm, Minden. A few years ago [the] Stauring brothers relinquished the business of farming and removed from Minden to St. Johnsville, where they made their home, and where John J. Stauring died a few years ago [in 1905]. H. A. Stauring resided with his widowed sister-in-law's family until decease, receiving every care and attention possible. Until the beginning of the present year he had been continually occupied, much of the time having charge of the residence and adjoining grounds of F. Engelhardt. Last winter failing health, taking the form of cardiac trouble, forced him to desist, and since then his health had been steadily failing. Mr. Stauring was never married, his family ties embracing first the care of his aged parents, and afterward taking the form of caring for his brother's children. In politics he was a Republican. His father and also his mother's relatives were among the "Free Soilers" of 1848-1852, and at the election day occurring a few weeks after attaining his majority, he cast his first vote for the first distinctly Republican ticket put in nomination in this state, headed by Preston King for secretary of state, and one of his last acts was to cast his ballot at the recent election for Taft, Hughes and the other Republican nominees. Mr. Stauring was one of the few survivors of the cavalcade of over 70 horsemen from Danube under the leadership of Major Henry Miller of Indian Castle, who formed a notable feature of the Republican mass meeting and barbecue at Herkimer, October 10, which was a noted incident of the Fremont campaign of 1856. He was also a member of the Newville Brass Band, an amateur musical organization of high standing during 1863-72. He is survived by three sisters, one of whom, Mrs. Bartholomew Hennessey, resides near Newville. The only relatives in town are his sister-in-law, Mrs. John J. Stauring, her son, Lafayette, and daughter Laura, the latter a student at the Elmira Female College. In religious matters he was an adherent of the Universalist belief. The funeral was held at the residence today at 12:30 p.m.

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