

OBITUARY

CHARLES HAIRHOUSE.

Charles Hairhouse, Hackettstown's oldest merchant, died suddenly last Sunday night at his home from heart failure and the infirmities of old age. He had been in his usual health during the day and in the afternoon took a short automobile ride with his grandson. While sitting in his chair just before retiring for the night he complained of feeling tired and died in a short time. He was born nearly eighty-five years ago in Roensahl, Westphalia, Prussia, and at the age of twenty-two came to America. For two years he was employed as a jeweler's assistant in Newton. In March 1853, he came here and opened a jewelry store in the Rushing building now the Sharp building, opposite the Warren House. For two years he occupied the building now owned by Frederick Kampl, the shoemaker. Fifty-six years ago he built the store room and house adjoining where he conducted business and died. April 1st he retired from business after being the town's pioneer jeweler for sixty-one years. In June 1853, Mr. Hairhouse was married in New York City to Miss Matilda Maud, of Roensahl, Prussia, whose death occurred July 4, 1897. He is survived by one son, Charles P. Hairhouse, of Newark, and two daughters, Mrs. George W. Smith and Mrs. Charles Rutenhouse, of this place. Funeral services were held at his late home Wednesday afternoon, Dr. Martyn officiating. Interment in the family plot in Union cemetery.

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NAME: Charles Hairhouse

DATE OF DEATH: May 31, 1914