OBITUARY

Another of Hackettstown's wellknown citizens has gone the way of all flesh. On Saturday afternoon last the news was telegraphed from Stanhope that Thomas Tretheway had died at the place very suddenly.Captain Tretheway, as he was more familiarly known, was born in Cornwall, England, March 26, 1829, and consequently was nearly 57 years of age at the time of his death. He came to this country in 1856 and was employed as miner in the Musconetcong Iron Company's mines, but in a few weeks was promoted to superinlendent, a position he held up to about the time of the breaking out of the Rebellion, when he was engaged by a New York Company to take charge of a gang of men and prospect for gold in Montana Territory. At that time there were no railways connecting the great Northwest with the centers of civilzation, and the journey west of the Mississippi had to be made overland and was a very arduous and perilous one. Mrs. Tretheway accompanied her husband on this trip, and was the only woman in the party. After three years of hard work among the gold hills he retunred East with a snug sum of the precious metal as a result of his toil, and was again employed by the Musconetcong Iron Company, this time as its chief agent,

a position he held up to the hour of his death.

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NAME: Thomas Tretheway

DATE OF DEATH: December 12, 1885