

RICHARD BENTLEY DEAD.

**Highly Respected Citizen of St. George
Gone to Rest.**

Richard Bentley, a highly respected and aged citizen of St. George, died at his home in that town at an early hour this morning of general debility and old age. The deceased was born in England in 1820 and was nearly 86 years of age. For years he has been very active in the business and church affairs at St. George and had served that community in public office on several occasions, having been mayor several terms and also having occupied other public offices.

He was the pioneer merchant of St. George, having engaged in business there in the early sixties, from which time up to a few years ago he was closely interested in various business enterprises of Washington county. He arrived at Nauvoo from England in 1843 and came to Salt Lake in the early fifties and resided in the Seventeenth ward for many years. During his residence in this city he was employed in the Historian's office.

From Salt Lake he went to Carson City, Nev., which at that time was included within the boundaries of this territory, where, with a colony of Saints he settled that community. Upon his return to Utah he located at Nephi and was in that town during the Indian troubles. From Nephi he moved to St. George, where he purchased the home of Apostle Pratt, in which he resided at the time of his death.

The deceased leaves a widow, six children, 40 grandchildren and 10 great grandchildren. His three sons are William Oscar and Frank R., who reside at St. George, and Joseph C. Bentley, who resides in Mexico. His daughters are Mrs. E. G. Woolley of this city, Mrs. E. D. Woolley of Kanab, and Mrs. Neslon Terry of Enterprise. The arrangements for the funeral have not yet been announced.