

Eliza Hoey

(- 30 May 1877)

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Hoey. Departed this life on the 30th of May, 1877, in the 50th year of her age, Mrs. Eliza Hoey, widow of John Hoey, a native of County Wexford, Ireland, whence she came to Virginia some thirty years ago. In a strange land and dependent for a living on the work of her own hands, her earlier years after her arrival in this country were those of hardship, but getting into service in some of the best families of Virginia and Maryland, whose esteem and benevolence she won, her after years were brightened by the lights of kindness. She was possessed of a singularly strong mind, extraordinary energy and industry, and as warm and benevolent a heart as ever throbbed in woman's bosom. Her relatives at her native home may be comforted in knowing that she died in the triumphs of Christian faith. During her lingering illness, on being asked if she did not wish a minister of the Gospel to talk with her about spiritual matters, she replied no. She said she was fully conscious of her sins, and had heartily repented of them, and felt that in answer to her prayers God had pardoned them, and her faith was strong that through the merits of the Lord Jesus Christ, she would find salvation. Peace to her generous spirit.