

[Bradford, Morris S.]

Death From a Fall

Morris S. Bradford, a printer and old resident of Auburn, lately living at 11½ Steel street, died at his house Friday evening from the effects of a fall which he suffered at the water works pump house. The accident occurred on Wednesday, Augusts 6th, and since that time Mr. Bradford has been confined to the house. He was looking about the water works on the day mentioned, and opening a door in the engine room stepped down upon an unfinished sill which he had not noticed. Being thus thrown forward, he fell a distance of seven or eight feet, striking [sic] upon a flagstone pavement below and receiving external injuries and severe internal hurts, the latter proving fatal.

Mr. Bradford was seventy-two years of age and has lived in Auburn for very nearly half a century. It was for his father, "Uncle" Sylvester Bradford, that Bradford street was named, and on the corner of that street and Owasco, he formerly lived with his parents. He was a direct descendant, and only the fifth in line, of Massachusetts' colonial Governor Bradford, and was interested in the association which is engaged in hunting up the Governor's English estate, as mentioned in this paper a year ago. He leaves a wife [Minerva] with whom he would have celebrated next November the forty-ninth anniversary of a happy marriage, and leaves also one son, Charles N. Bradford. Another son [George] died in the army and a daughter [Phebe] was carried away by consumption. Mr. Bradford was a man of most genial character and thorough integrity; at the same time he was modest and retiring. He was a faithful attendant of the First Universalist church, and the pastor, Rev. J.J. Brayton, will conduct the funeral services at the late residence at 2 P.M. to-morrow.

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