

[Burdick, Orrin Henry]

ORRIN H. BURDICK DEAD

*He Was a Successful Inventor and Manufacturer of Harvesting Machinery.*

Orrin H. Burdick, one of the best known of the older residents of Auburn, died at 3 o'clock Saturday morning, at his home, 80 Franklin street. For four years he had been confined to the house and during the past eighteen months he has been helpless, paralysis being his ailment. On Wednesday last, at noon, he became unconscious and never rallied.

Orrin Henry Burdick was born in Brookfield, Madison county, Nov. 4, 1814. When a boy he removed to this city and it has been his residence ever since. Early in life he developed a liking for mechanics and while a very young man his fertile brain evolved some valuable machinery. His talent was quickly recognized and he was soon a member of the firm of D. M. Osborne & Co., D. M. Osborne and John H. Osborne being the other members. Patent after patent was granted to Mr. Burdick on harvesting machinery and to his ability is doubtless due much of the success of the Osborne machines. Nearly ten years ago Mr. Burdick retired from the firm and since that time has not been actively engaged in business. [On] October 1, 1840, Mr. Burdick was married in this city to Mary M. Keyes, who, with two children, Orrin H. Burdick, jr. and Mrs. Alida M. Cooper, both of this city, survive him. Mr. Burdick was a member of the First Universalist church and in years past his assistance to it has been valuable. He was a man of generous impulses, devoted to his family and honored by all who knew him. The funeral took place Monday at 3 p.m. from his late residence. Rev. O. [Ora] M. Hilton officiated. The interment was at Fort Hill [cemetery].

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