

[Burton, Hiram]

Hiram Burton was born in Croydon, New Hampshire, November 22, 1799, and came with his father [Simon Burton] to Portland in 1810. He had learned the trade of millwright but, like his father, also owned and operated a farm. He was a whig and afterwards a republican, and served as commissioner of highways for a number of years. He belonged to the Universalist church, and served in the war of 1812 with his father. He married Harriet Skinner, who was born in Chenango county in 1805. After the death of her parents she came to Chautauqua county with a large family of brothers and sisters and located near Brocton, and died January 14, 1890. They reared a family of five sons and three daughters.

Hon. Obed Edson, *Biographical and Portrait Cyclopedia of Chautauqua County, New York* (Philadelphia: John M. Gresham & Co., 1891), p. 387

Transcriber's note: Hiram Burton died in 1892, per H. C. Taylor, M.D., *Historical Sketches of the Town of Portland* (1873).