## [Hull, Orsemus]

## Mr. Orsemus Hull

Orsemus Hull, aged 80 years, died Tuesday August 2nd, at his home in the hamlet of Gibsonville, four miles east of Perry. Mr. Hull was one of the pioneer residents of this section. His parents were Moses and Clara Phelps Hull, who were natives of Connecticut, and came here in 1820. They settled on the farm where Mr. Hull's nephew Albert H. Hull, now lives, but two or three years later moved to a farm a mile further east, just over the Wyoming county line in the town of Leicester. It was on this farm that Orsemus was born, one of four children. He lived there until he sold the farm in 1896, and moved into Gibsonville. Mr. Hull's father lived until 1894, dying at the age of 96 years. As a boy, Mr. Hull grew up in surroundings where the only chance for obtaining an education was in the district school, which has always been known as No. 11. He improved every opportunity, and it can be said that in this way he obtained a good education. In those days, Gibsonville was a prosperous village, containing a hotel, blacksmith shop, two or three stores and a saw mill, paper mill and woolen mill, and Mr. Hull at different times worked in these mills, but followed the occupation of farming most of his life time. Mr. Hull was of a kindly, genial disposition, who had a host of friends, and was highly respected by his neighbors. For several years he was school trustee in district No. 11, and was also at one time justice of peace in the town of Leicester. He was twice married, his first wife [Catherine *Brown* Hull] dying in 1850<sup>1</sup>. His second wife was Mrs. Ella Conable. He is survived by five children, Mrs. Clara Pad[d]ock, of Perry, Mrs. Myra Catton, Walter Hull, Miss Katie Hull and Mrs. Jessie Madison, residents of Gibsonville. The funeral was held Friday afternoon, Rev. Clara Morgan [Universalist] officiating. Interment at Hope Cemetery.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Her gravestone in Hope Cemetery says 1878.