

# HADLEY NEWSLETTER

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## 200th Hadley Newsletter:

These past sixteen plus years has seen the monthly *Hadley Newsletters* circulated without cost or advertising. This is our **200th edition!**

We think this may be some kind of Hadley publishing record. It has been our attempt to share information about our current Hadleys and our ancestral past. We have, with help from you, our readers, researched and published stories and profiles of many of our Hadley ancestors. We also have used this means of communication with you in an attempt to keep you informed about important current events that have occurred in the lives of some of our Hadley relatives.

Past issues of the *Hadley Newsletters* are currently available to be accessed at the US Library of Congress in Washington, D. C., although their updating of current issues tends to be slow. In addition, most of the past issues of the *Hadley Newsletters* are available by accessing the Hadley website: [www.hadleygenealogy.net](http://www.hadleygenealogy.net) and by clicking on the fifth button found on the left of the title page, "**Hadley Family News.**" These past newsletters are also available for your review in the Genealogy Room at the Reformed Church of Port Ewen, Salem Street, Port Ewen, NY.

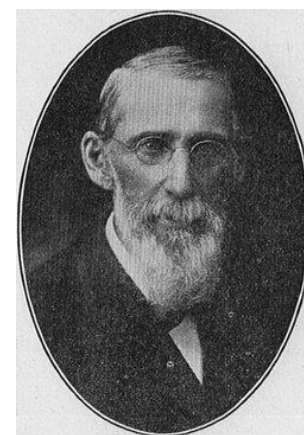
The Newsletters owe you a sincere debt of gratitude for your moral support and willingness to contribute to past *Hadley Newsletter*. Your encouragement for us to keep digging for new and interesting articles about our Hadley past has been a major motivator for us to keep these monthly newsletters going. THANK YOU.

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## Meet George Plummer Hadley II: (1846-1934)

George was the first of two sons born to Peter and Elizabeth (Cochran) Hadley and was a 4<sup>th</sup> great grandson to our Patriarch George Hadley. His middle name may seem a bit unusual to some. The name of Plummer was the first name of his grandfather, great-grandfather, and the surname of his great-great grandmother – thus the name Plummer was a family name and the source of his middle name.

George <http://www.hadleygenealogy.net/ghtout/grpf1155.html> was a bright and energetic individual. He was a graduate of the prestigious Kimball Union Academy class of 1869 and attended, but not a graduate of, Dartmouth College. He married Edna Virginia Carr (1854-1946) on 10 June 1875 in Goffstown, New Hampshire. George and Edna had no children.



His life took many employment directions for 40 years, including being active as a civil engineer. He actually started out his professional life as a public-school teacher in both New Hampshire and Massachusetts. He was active in local politics and represented the town of Goffstown in the New Hampshire State Legislature in 1880. He was the town of Goffstown's Census Enumerator with records on 1699 residents. He was also a member of the New Hampshire State Constitutional Convention in 1912. In addition, between the years 1876 and 1916 he served as a Goffstown *Justice of the Peace*. His public presence was widely felt in the Town of Goffstown and he was one of the main speakers at the local library dedication in 1909. In addition, he was a principal speaker at the 150-anniversary observance of the incorporation of Goffstown in 1911. He was also an elected "Noble Grand" of the *Fraternal Order of Odd Fellows* (IOOF) chapter in Goffstown.

He compiled and wrote a two volume 720-page book, *History of the Town of Goffstown, (New Hampshire) 1733-1920* that was copyrighted 100 years ago this year.

Throughout his life, George had various sources of employment. He is listed as a butcher in the 1880 US Census. In the 1900 US Census he is listed as a Civil Engineer; the 1910 US Census lists him as a Civil Engineer plus as a surveyor; the 1920 US Census list him as a "Proprietress": (*This seems to be an error since a proprietress is a woman who owns a business of property*). The 1930 Census lists him as an Insurance Agent. George was also a committed Historian and was involved in politics as well for the better part of his adult life. He took farming seriously, as did many men during this time period of our developing country.

His death, at the age of 88, was attributed to Alterio Sclerosis, which he suffered with for about 10 years, along with the contributing cause of Cystitis Myocarditis for about 2 years.

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## **Our Patriarch George Hadley's Burial:**

The exact death date of our Patriarch George Hadley, is unknown. However, we do have a record of his burial date as 30 Sept 1686.

George and his family, at the time of his death, were living in Rowley, Essex, Massachusetts. However, the *Line Brook Parish Burial Ground* in Rowley had not been established or laid out at the time of his death. The *Hadley Newsletter* believes George is likely buried in Topsfield, Essex, Massachusetts, where he had lived previously, and where it is likely his first wife, **Mary Proctor** (1633- 1668), and daughters **Martha** (ca.1654-1661) and **Elizabeth** (1660-1661) lived and are buried. The towns of Topsfield and Rowley are adjacent to each other.

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"If a man thinks he is not conceited, he is very conceited indeed." ~C S Lewis

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