

## **Uriah Bartlett** (1789–1883)

Uriah Bartlett was the last survivor of twelve children of Uriah and Susanna Cook Bartlett. Of these children five passed their eighteenth year, and two exceeded ninety. Uriah was born in Kingston in 1789 the year George Washington became president. He was the lineal descendant of Robert Bartlett, who descended from John Bartlett who was in the army of William the Conqueror and landed in England in the year 1066. Robert Bartlett came to Plymouth in the ship *Ann* in 1623 and married Mary, daughter of Richard Warren. Uriah Bartlett was descended from fifteen of the Mayflower passengers, among who were Elder Brewster and Captain Myles Standish. Uriah Bartlett married Olive Holmes, and they had seven children.

Bartlett was a member of the Great and General Court, the Massachusetts Legislature, in 1845 and again in 1846. He also served military guard during the War of 1812 at the Gurnet and was supposed to have been on board a merchant vessel captured by the British and though later released.

Bartlett was a very quiet and studious man. One day his housekeeper, Miss Rose, heard him reading aloud and exclaimed, "Why, Mr. Bartlett, you be Latin larn't!" He replied that if he should suddenly receive a call from Julius Caesar, he was afraid he would not be very fluent with him.