

# Former Local Doctor Dies

Ralph W. Parker, M. D.,  
Practiced Here 40 Years

**LOWELL**—Ralph W. Parker, M. D., a well known practicing physician, in this city for over 40 years, died yesterday morning at his home in Sherburne road, Pelham.



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ert Parker of Durham, N. H. Also by several nieces and nephews.

Dr. Parker was born in Reading, son of the late Walter S. and Belle (Badger) Parker. He was educated in the public schools of that town. He then studied medicine at Boston university, receiving his M. D. degree from that college. Following his internship at the Lowell General hospital, and hospitals in New York, he entered private practice in Lowell.

During his years of practice in this city, he took several courses at the Mayo clinic to further his medical education. He was a member of the American Medical society and the Massachusetts Medical society.

Dr. Parker was prominent in Masonic circles, being a member of William North lodge of Lowell, the Royal Arch chapter of Reading, the Reading commandery, the Scottish Rite bodies, the New Hampshire consistory, a 32nd degree Mason, and the Aleppo Temple Shrine of Boston.