

## A NOTED BOSTONIAN DEAD.

THE HON. ALPHEUS HARDY SUCCUMBS  
TO A PECULIAR ACCIDENT.

BOSTON, Aug. 7.—The Hon. Alpheus Hardy died at his home in this city to-day, his death resulting from a very peculiar accident. While cutting coupons in the Equitable Building a short time since he dropped the scissors, the sharp points piercing his leg. Blood poisoning followed and death resulted. Mr. Hardy was born in the Cape town of Chatham November, 1815, and received the ordinary education to be got in the village schools. This was supplemented by a few terms in Phillips Academy, Andover. At the age of 19 he became the agent in Boston for the Philadelphia and Southern Packet Line. Shortly afterward he associated himself with the late Capt. Ezra H. Baker, and later with Charles J. Morrill, under the firm name of Hardy, Baker & Morrill, embarked in the East India and Mediterranean trade, in which the firm was eminently successful. This copartnership was dissolved after some time, and Mr. Hardy continued alone in the same line of trade. He was for some years the President of the old Granite, now the Second National Bank, which he successfully carried through the panic of 1857. He had always retained a position on the Directory of this bank.

After 40 years of business life Mr. Hardy retired and was occupied in the care of numerous trusts. He had the care of the great Sears estate. In religious belief he was an orthodox Congregationalist, was for many years a member of the Board of Trustees of Amherst College, and also served for a long time as President of the Board of Trustees of Phillips Academy, Andover. He was for 20 years on the Prudential Committee of the American Board of Commissioners for Foreign Missions, and was for many years its Chairman. He also served one term in the State Senate. Mr. Hardy married Miss Susan Warner Holmes. All his children survive him. Alpheus H. and Edward E. are engaged in business in Boston. Charles F. is a commission merchant in New-York, and the youngest son, Arthur S., is Professor of Mathematics in Dartmouth College. Prof. Hardy is the author of the celebrated novel "But Yet a Woman."

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