

in that town, Nov. 26, 1792. He was fitted for college at Phillips Academy, Andover, and entered Harvard College in 1811, graduating therefrom in 1815. He studied medicine at the Harvard Medical School, under the supervision of Dr. John C. Warren, receiving his diploma in 1819. He received a formal invitation from the citizens of South Weymouth, through a committee of twelve of the leading men in the place, to settle with them "in the practice of physic and surgery." He came to Weymouth in September of 1819, and for forty-seven years had no associate and scarcely a competitor. For the last three years he was associated to some extent with Dr. Tower. In the fiftieth year of his practice he withdrew from active medical work, but still occasionally went out in consultation.

Dr. Howe was a man of great physical as well as mental power, and performed to the last an amount of labor that very few of the younger members of the profession were able to do.

He had the happy faculty of taking things easily, which enabled him to rest when not actively engaged, though surrounded by exciting circumstances; yet he was always careful of the welfare of his patients, caring for them assiduously by night and by day.

He held many distinguished positions in military life. He was a member, and for some time commander, of the Ancient and Honorable Artillery Company. He was chosen surgeon of the Second Regiment, First Brigade, Second Division, of the Massachusetts Militia; also adjutant and colonel of the same. He was brigadier of the First Brigade, and afterwards major-general of First Division of Massachusetts Militia.

He also received civic honors, and was senator from Norfolk County during the years 1841, 1842, 1843.

He was a member of the school committee for many years, and for some time its chairman, and upon his



