

Martin Howard Wilcox

Martin Howard Wilcox played the tuba in the St. Johnsbury Band for about twenty years, ending in 1901. He was an accomplished player and locally well known.

He served in company C of the 8th VT during the Civil War and owned a farm across from the Fair Grounds (the present site of the Comfort Inn).

Here is a copy of his obituary.

M. Howard Wilcox.

News was received here of the death in Brooklyn, N. Y., Saturday of M. Howard Wilcox, a former resident of St. Johnsbury. Mr. Wilcox was born in Barnet 69 years ago. His wife, who was Cora Harriman of St. Johnsbury, died Nov. 17, 1910. Four sons survive them: Edwin H. and Karl E. of Brooklyn, Charles A. of Allston, Mass., and Thaddeus S. of Newport. He also leaves a brother, Henry Wilcox, of Lynn, Mass.

Mr. Wilcox served in the Civil War as a member of Co. C, 8th Vt. Soon after the war he located in St. Johnsbury, living on the farm near the fair grounds. He was an employe of the scale factory for 21 years. He was for many years a member of the old St. Johnsbury band and under Director Herrick, "Gar." Wilcox and his horn were as familiar as "Thad" Spencer and his cornet.

Eleven years ago Mr. Wilcox moved to Brooklyn, where he has been employed much of the time by the Fairbanks company. He was obliged to give up work about Christmas time and has failed rapidly until the end came. The remains will be brought to St. Johnsbury Wednesday for interment in Mt. Pleasant cemetery.