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## Rufus Kellogg Ledger

1839-1850

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Rufus Kellogg died in Amherst on April 9, 1845.

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Also worthy of note is a rough plan of the ground floor of a center-chimney building, possibly Kellogg's house.

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