



Carter Place, 327 Center Hill Road, Epsom, NH

The Carter Place was much photographed and labeled the 'show place' of Epsom and has a long history. The original home lot was drawn by Jotham Foss, but it was James Marden who owned it by the time the 30 acre out lots were drawn, and it was deeded to his son Nathan in 1749. The majority of the lot was on the south side of East Street, though a bend in the road places a portion of it on the north side. Eactly where the Marden house was on the lot has never been determined, though the later Carter home was on the north side of the lot. The second family to live on the lot was that of Jonathan Chase of Deerfield. It went through several owners after Jonathan died, and was bought by Augustus Lord. Lord doubled the size of the lot by buying the home lot opposite it. He improved the property, including the building of a new house, that likely on the north side of East Street.

Andrew O. Carter hailed from Lynn, MA and married one of the daughters of Joseph Lawrence, one of the more successful business men in town. The property passed to the husband of his wife's sister, Charles F. Bulfinch.

CHRONOLOGY of owners (not necessarily resident):

Original proprietor Jotham Foss, but soon after James Marden of Rye; 1749, James Marden to son Nathan Marden of Rye; 1813 Nathan Marden of Epsom to Jonathan Chase of Deerfield, a 50 acre lot and is the same lot on which I now live, to include all buildings standing thereon; 1848, Catherine Chase of Deerfield, widow, to Charles Ames of Epsom; 1848, Robert M Chase of Deerfield, administrator of the estate of Samuel P. Chase of Epsom, to Charles Ames of Epsom; 1850, Charles Ames of Epsom to Jacob Hall of Epsom, 50 acres with the buildings thereon; 1853, Jacob Hall of Epsom to Enoch Fogg of Deerfield; 1860, Enoch Fogg to Augustus Lord; 1884, Mary E. Morrison of Portsmouth, to James B. Tennant, Warren Tripp of Epsom, and James G. Fellows of Pembroke, - A farm with the buildings thereon, that land now owned by me ins daid Epsom belonging to Augustus Lord at the time of his decease, known as the "home place" containing 100 acres, the same conveyed to said Lord by deed of Enoch Fogg 1860 and wife, and by Varnum Fisk and wife 1867; 1885, James B. Tennant and Warren Tripp of Epsom and James G. Fellows of Pembroke, to Myron H. Ray of Boscawen, 100 acers land and buildings; 1886, Myron H. Ray of Boscawen to Andrew O. Carter of Lynn, MA., 100 acres being the same farm conveyed to me by James B. Tennant, Warren Tripp and James G. Fellows. Before 1930, Fred L. Bulfinch from Helen M. Carter, wife of Andrew Carter deceased (by will); 1930, Diane Bosivert of Manchester from Fred L. Bulfinch of Pembroke, land and buildings, no land on Mountain Road; 1932, John M. Mellardy from Diane Boisvert, widow of Epsom; 1935, A.L. Hodges

and Elvira Hodges from John F. Mallardy of Manchester; 1948, Arthur and Neil Wallace of Manchester from Elvira W. Hodges, widow of Epsom; 1950, Paul F. and Gertrude Theim of Londonderry from Arthur and Neil Wallace of Manchester; 1955, Gertrude F. Theim of Epsom from Paul F. Theim of MA, land and buildings, generated by a divorce stipulation; 1959, Eugene A. & Elsie M. Baldi from Gertrude (Theim) Warren, land and buildings, both sides of road; 1982, John A. Baldi of Melrose, MA from Eugene A. and Elsie M. Baldi.

GENEALOGY: Deacon Nathan Marden, born Nov. 15, 1721, married first Susanna Berry in Rye, 1743, having children Sarah who married Ithiel Clifford; James, who married Sarah Worth and resided Chichester; Lucy, who died young; Judith, who married Hinkson Marden; and Nathan who married Sarah Rand Edmunds. Deacon Nathan Marden married second, Hannah Marden.

Jonathan Chase (1778-1845) was born in Deerfield to Josiah and Hannah (Sanborn) Chase. He married in 1800, Mary Prescott and had three children; Josiah, who died unmarried in 1842; Samuel Prescott Chase, who married Catherine M. Chase in Deerfield, 1844; and Hannah Weate Chase who married in 1848, George F. Fife and resided Deerfield, NH. Jonathan, his first wife Mary, and son Samuel, are buried in the McClary Cemetery.

Charles Ames was born in Epsom and married harriet Olivia Hill of Nottingham in Epsom, 1854. They had two children, Henry C. who married Ella Ora Winslow and resided Epsom had one son, Mayland Parker Ames. Charles and harriet's second son was Charles A. Ames.

Jacob Hall married Emeline Rebecca T. Sherburne, daughter of James and Sally (Prescott) Sherburne in 1845, three children.

Enoch Fogg was born in Deerfield, son of Enoch and Sarah (Wallace) Fogg. He in turn married Caroline Wallace, daughter of Philip Babb and Rachel (Babb) Wallace. Three children, Viola E., Clara A., and Ira W.

Augustus Lord, born Henry Augustus Lord in 1822, was the son of Samuel Lord and his first wife Nancy Dearborn McClary, daughter of Michael McClary and Sarah Dearborn. Augustus Lord had a sister Mary Elizabeth who married Horace Morrison.

Andrew O. Carter married Helen M. Lawrence, daughter of Joseph Lawrence and Lucy Philbrick. She had a sister Sophia S. who married Charles F. Bulfinch

