



Kretschmar House, 1142 Short Falls Road, Epsom, NH

This house does not appear on the 1858 map, and in 1892 it is owned by Warren Tripp. The house was probably built shortly after 1867 when sold to son William before being bought by brother Warren in 1875. The house left the Tripp family when it was bought by Hollis E. Sanders, and was shortly thereafter sold to Charles A. Chapman. Charles was born in Epsom, but lived most of his life in Massachusetts. Upon the death of his first wife, he married Ida Emerson, born Northwood, and returned to New Hampshire, first in Barnstead, then Epsom. His widow sold the property to the Elliotts, with the house passing to the daughter of Charles E. Elliott, Wilma, who had married Gustave Kretschmar. Her brother Percy lived across the street.

CHRONOLOGY of owners (not necessarily resident): 1862, Warren Tripp from Jeremiah Tripp, the 1/2 of all my homestead farm where I now live with life occupancy; 1867, William Tripp from Jeremiah and Warren Tripp, 85 acres land and buildings, part of the Tripp homestead; 1875, Warren Tripp from William and Nancy E. Tripp of Epsom, bounded on the west by land of the heirs of Thomas Tripp; 1909, Hollis E. Sanders of Epsom from Warren Tripp, 85 acres land and buildings; 1911, Charles A. Chapman of Barnstead from Hollis E. Sanders of Epsom; 1923, Charles E. & Phebe Elliott of Short Falls from Ida A. Chapman of Lynn, MA, with right to take water from well on Worth land; 1963, Wilma Kretschmar admim., 2 adjoining parcels next to each other, estate of Phebe Jane Elliott, she having died March 4, 1963 - husband Charles E. Elliott died Sept. 6, 1952, Wilma E. Kretschmar daughter and Percy E. Elliott, son.

GENEALOGY: Jeremiah Tripp married Chloe Prescott and had children: Harriett Ann who died young; Chloe who married Jeremiah Burnham; Harriet who married James L. Prescott; William who married Nancie E. Preston; Ann Maria who died young; and Warren Tripp who married Katie Bickford. Hollis E. Sanders married in 1890 Susan Weymouth, and was the son of Gideon Sanders of Effingham, NH.

Charles A. Chapman was the son of Samuel T. and Deborah Dow Chapman. He married first Sarah Ann Barrett and second Ida A. Emerson, daughter of Richard Jackson Emerson and Sarah E. Nutter.

Charles E. Elliott married in 1893 Phoebe Jane Bickford, daughter of Samuel Thomas Bickford and Sarah Foss. They had for children: Maud B.; Percy K. who married Loella Perkins; Edward B. who married Madeline Robinson; and Wilma Leola who married Gustave Kretschmar.

