



### **Louis Demers House, 1559 Dover Road, Epsom, NH**

The first mention of buildings on this site is in 1838 when Dearborn Batchelder sells to George W. Batchelder. The property worked its way through family members until about 1935, with the exception when it was owned by Charles Smith in 1864. The description of the house for the above photo in the archives of the Epsom Historical Association reads "1888 - Post Office sign over the door (this was during a Democratic administration - when Republicans were in, the Post Office was across the street in Knowles's Store). The stage luggage includes blueberry crates."

#### **CHRONOLOGY of owners (not necessarily resident):**

1823, Jeremiah Prescott from John Ham Jr., 46 acres, tract #2, south of turnpike, 31 rods on turnpike to river by Mrs. Davis' house; 1825, B.L. Locke from Jeremiah Prescott; 1827, Jeremiah Prescott from Benjamin L. Locke, 1/2 of a tract of land with 1/2 of all buildings being 1/2 of land purchased of Jeremiah Prescott 19 Feb. 1825; 1831, Jeremiah Prescott to Dearborn Batchelder; 1838, George W. Batchelder from Dearborn Batchelder with land and buildings, 4 acres; 1848, Samuel Batchelder from George W. Batchelder, land and buildings, 1/2 acre; 1855, Darius Philbrick from Samuel Batchelder 1/2 acre land and buildings where said Philbrick lives; 1864, Charles Smith from Darius Philbrick; 1865, Albion Locke from Charles C. Smith; 1867, James D. Page from Albion Locke; Nov. 13, 1871 (M 204-454) John T. Cotterell from James D. Page; 1925, George P. Kelley of Epsom from Hollis E. & Marion Mank of Concord, same premises conveyed to James D. Page by deed of Albion Locke August 1867 and Lowell Eastman January 1867 by will of Clara A. Cotterell; 1935, Susie J. Hardy of Epsom from George P. Kelley, 1/2 acre; 1938, Louis A. Demers from Susie J. Hardy of Concord, on the south side of the turnpike, bounded westerly by land formerly of A.S. Evans, southerly by the little Suncook River, easterly by land formerly of Albion Locke (mill), northerly by the turnpike, 1/2 acre with buildings; 1980, Florence Demers by the will of her deceased husband Louis A. Demers; 1984, Kenneth & Carolyn Stiles of Epsom from the estate of Florence Demers (Robert & Kathleen Demers, Jeanette Lamontagne.

**GENEALOGY:** Dearborn Batchelder married Sally Neally and had children: Sally, Ira, Neally, Betsey, Henry, John, Gordon, George W., Charles N., Adaline and Samuel B.. George W. Batchelder married Abigail Wells, daughter of Samuel Wells and Hannah Brown, and had children: Lucetta M., Orison, Charles C., Elbridge G. and Alonzo E.. Samuel B. Batchelder married Keziah White and had children Edwin, Ida, Samuel, Orrin, Etta and Vienna.

Darius Philbrick was the son of Perkins Philbrick and Lucy Ham. He married Adaline Batchelder, daughter of Dearborn Batchelder and Sally Neally. They had a daughter Addie.

David Locke and Polly Carleton had children: Mary Anna who married Albion Locke; Elizabeth P. who married James D. Page; and D. Harvey who died young. James D. Page and wife Elizabeth P. Locke had children: Albion Locke Page who married Flora Evans; Carrie E. Page who was the first wife of Alonzo E. Batchelder, son of George W. Batchelder and Abigail Wells. He married second, Laura Abbie Haynes, daughter of Jonathan P. Haynes and Abbie Meloon of Deerfield. Alonzo died and she married second, Timothy Bryant Langley, son of Josiah D. Langley and Elma J. Locke. Timothy Bryant Langley previously married Bertha Cotterell and they had a daughter Marion Agnes who married in 1923, Hollis Edwin Mank.

George P. Kelley was the son of Edward M. Kelley and Sybil Brown.

Louis Alfred Demers was the son of John B. Demers and Rose Minard. He married Florence Small of Northwood and had children: Robert F. who married Shirley Mosher; Kathleen and Jeanette.

