

Moses-Cass-Ellis House, 74 Moutain View Road, Epsom, NH

The house pictured is the Dearborn Moses house which burned in 1919, just having been sold in January to Ralph and Inez Cass who built the current house on the premises. The land is part of that which was owned by Ebenezer Wallace, son of Deacon George Wallace, one of the earliest settlers of the town. James Moses bought this and additional adjoining property to build the Moses farm which was sold to his son Mark. Mark Moses died young with three young boys, Joseph J., Mark S. and Dearborn B.. Their mother stayed and raised the boys, with Joseph and Mark marrying and moving to New Orchard Road and Dearborn remaining at the homestead. Mark S. also died leaving young children, and Joseph later moved to Manchester. Dearborn's only surviving daughter, Sarah Locke Moses married James H. Tripp and the family sold the farm and moved to a different location not far from the homestead.

CHRONOLOGY of owners (not necessarily resident):

1732, Original proprietor lot 68, Samuel Wallace; 1741, George Wallace from father Samuel Wallace; 1769, Ebenezer Wallace from George Wallace. lot 68, 88 acres; 1803, James Moses of Epsom from John Wallace of Epsom, administrator on the estate of Ebenezer Wallace, deceased, part of lot 68;1806, Mark Moses from James Moses; 1829, Joseph Moses sells to Dearborn and Mark S. Moses, brother, all right to personal estate which belonged to father Mark Moses, deceased;1857, Dearborn Moses from Mark S. Moses; About 1880 James H. Tripp, husband of Sarah Locke Moses, daughter of Dearborn Moses; January 1919, Ralph L. Cass from Walter H. & James Tripp, 2 acres around house and cemetery; 1932, Ralph L. Cass from Walter H. Tripp, additional land; 1964, Thomas J. Ellis & Audrey M. Ellis from Ralph L. Cass; Thomas, Audrey & Gordon R. Ellis from Thomas J. and Audrey Ellis; 1977, Gordon Ellis from Thomas J. Ellis.

GENEALOGY: Ebenezer Wallace was the son of George Wallace and his wife Margaret McClary. Ebenezer married Sarah McGaffey in 1770 and had children: Jane, who marriedl David Lawrence Morrill; Margaret who married Thomas Critchett; George who married Lydia Eastman; John who married Anna Goodhue; Hannah, Sally, Ebenezer and Elizabeth. He married second an Elizabeth Quimby in 1790.

James Moses married in 1780, Elizabeth Sherburne and they had for children: Mark Moses who married Betsey Cate, daughter of John Cate and Abigail Sherburne; James Moses who married Betsy

Chesley, daughter of Lemuel Chesley; Jane Moses who did not marry; Betsey who married David Sherburne, son of William Sherburne and Sarah Muchmore; Mary who married John Morrison; and Sarah who married John Lake, son of Thomas Lake and Rebecca Blake.

Mark Moses who married in 1802 Betsy Cate, had for children: Joseph who married Hannah Cate, daughter of John Cate and Mary Towle; Dearborn who married Sally Hoitt Locke, daughter of William Locke and Sally Hoitt; Mark S. Moses who married first Elvira Dolbeer, and second, Mary Abigail Towle.

Dearborn Blake Moses and Sally Locke had for children: Elizabeth; Sarah Locke who married James H. Tripp; and Mary who died young. James H. Tripp and Sarah Lake Moses had Walter H. Tripp. Ralph Leroy Cass was the son of Anson Cass and married in 1909, Inez Ring.

