



Ordway-Yeaton House, 239 Black Hall Road, Epsom, NH

Often referred to as the Ordway House, and before that the Solomon Yeaton House, this home was constructed by William Yeaton around 1792. Lot 89 was bought by Jonathan Towle and his son Joseph Towle. About the same time as they bought the property, Jonathan sold this piece to William Yeaton who had married his daughter Hannah. William died in 1831 and his son John next resided there. John had three wives, two dying fairly early on, and by his second wife Betsey Towle, daughter of Simeon and Elizabeth Marden Towle, had a son Solomon who resided here from his birth until he died in 1886. His widow Mary A. (Hilliard) sold the property to Albert A. Ordway in 1897 where he raised a large family there, selling out to Robert Cutter in 1945.

CHRONOLOGY of owners (not necessarily resident):

1732, Lot 89, William Perkins & John Berry & soon became land of Thomas Berry; Prior to 1768, Dearborn Blake owned 80 acres in the middle, Obadiah Marston 60 acres on the north side, and Thomas Bickford about 30 acres on the south side plus lot 88. ; April 6, 1768, Benjamin Shepard of Nottingham from Dearborn Blake of Epping, 80 acres, that land of Thomas Berry except 90 acres; April 15, 1768, Joseph Cilley Jr of Nottingham from Benjamin Shepard of Nottingham, 80 acres land and buldings, land I purchased of Dearborn Blake and the same land which Benjamin Blake did formerly live on; 1769, Benjamin Shepard, Nottingham from Obidiah Marston of Epsom, 60 acres between Shepard and Youring land; 1772, Joseph Cilley Jr of Nottingham from Benjamin Shepard of Gilmantown, 60 acres in Epsom part of lot 89, that which I purchased of Obediah Marston known as the Fullers Place; 1777, Weymouth Wallace of Epsom from Joseph Cilley Jr. of Nottingham, all of lot 89, 140 acres, except about 30 acres off the south side owned by Nathaniel Wallace, son of Samuel; June 24, 1791, Jonathan & Joseph Towle Jr of Epsom from Weymoth Wallace of Epsom, part of lot 89 in the third range, 135 acres, original right of Thomas Berry; October 6, 1791, William Yeaton (son-in-law) from Jonathan Towle part of lot 89 in third range, 26 acres; 1887, Mary A. Yeaton by Georgia B. Morse and others, premises formerly owned by Solomon Yeaton; 1897, Albert A. Ordway from Mary A. Yeaton, wife of Solomon Yeaton, property having passed from William Yeaton, to son John, to son Solomon, Mary A. being his widow, he having died 1886; 1945, Robert E. Cutter from Albert E. Ordway; 1968, Robert and Evelyn Clark from Robert E. & Dorothy Cutter, a portion of the premises of Albert A. Ordway; 2000, Pad Family Trust, trustees, Shih-Yu Tong-L from Evelyn Clark of Epsom.

GENEALOGY: Jonathan Towle married Elizabeth Jenness and had for children: Simeon M. who married Elizabeth Marden; Mary who married James Hobbs; Levi who married Mary Locke; Anna who married Nathaniel Marden; Hannah who married William Yeaton; Elizabeth; Joseph who married Sarah Wallace; Benjamin who married Betsey E. Wood; and Sally who married Lemuel Bunker.

Joseph Towle and Sarah Wallace, daughter of Abraham Wallace and Hepsibah Blake, had for children: Hannah who married Jonathan Yeaton; Susan G. who married Samuel Goss; and Sally who married James Hersey.

Jonathan and Elizabeth's daughter Hannah married William Yeaton, son of Joseph Yeaton and Susannah Lang. They had for children: John, who married three times; Joseph, who married Elizabeth Brown; William, who married Elizabeth Ham; Jonathan, who married Hannah Towle, daughter of Joseph Towle and Sarah Wallace; Samuel T. who married Sally Cochran; Sally, who married Jonathan Goss, whose brother Samuel married Susan G. Towle, daughter of Joseph Towle and Sarah Wallace; Hannah, who married Simeon Towle; Hopley, who also married three times and Levi T. who married Mary Mathes. Jonathan and Elizabeth's son John married first Rebecca Bickford and had children: John, Samuel Preston, William and Daniel. He married second, Betsey Towle, daughter of Simeon M. Towle and Elizabeth Marden and had children: Solomon M. who married Mary A. Hilliard; Sallie who married Anthony Lane; and Warren who married Catherine Angeline Yeaton.

Alber A. Ordway married Angie E. Crooker and had surviving children: Leon, James, Dean, and Lillian.

