

Harkness - Munroe House, 92 Munroe Road, Epsom, NH

Lot #70 was owned by Matthias Haynes and passed to his son John, his family settling on this, the east end of the lot. John sold the east half of the lot to son Jeremiah, who sold it back to him and bought the west end. The east end was then sold by John to son John Jr., who in turn sold it to his brothers Levi and Matthias. Levi later sold his half to Matthias who then sold it to James and Eliphalet Wiggin. Brothers John Jr. and Matthias both left Epsom. Simeon L. Sanders bought the property in 1837, and it stayed in his family until 1894, by which time a small burying ground was on the premises. The Munroes were next there until sold by their heirs to Richard Harkness in 1966. At one time there was a connecting road between the east and west ends of the property.

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

1732, Lot #70 drawn by John Johnson; 1743, Mathias Haynes of Greenland from John Johnson (fatherin-law) all my right to land which I have in Epsom being the first proprietor of said lot; 1755, John Haynes (son) from Mathias and Hannah Haynes of Greenland, all my right to land in Epsom, 1 tract, lot #70; 1784, Jeremiah Haynes of Epsom from John Haynes, east end of lot #70 in the 2nd range, next to the land I sold Aaron Burbank, original right of John Johnson; 1787, Jeremiah Haynes from John Haynes of Epsom, westerly end of lot #70 in the 2nd range, full width except a small piece sold earlier to Bennett Libbee, about 40 acres more or less and John Haynes of Epsom from Jeremiah Haynes of Epsom, east end of lot #70 next to that land sold by John Haynes to Aaron Burbank, about 50 acres; 1797, John Haynes Jr. from John Haynes Sr. of Epsom, about 80 acres with buildings thereon, all the land I now own in Epsom; 1800, Levi Haynes from John Haynes Jr. of Epsom, 1/2 interest in land and buildings about 80 acres which I purchased of John Haynes Sr in 1797 and Mathias Haynes the other half interest; 1806, Mathias Haynes of Epsom from Levi Haynes, my 1/2 interest to the 80 acres which I purchased of John Haynes in 1800; 1826, James & Eliphalet Wiggin from Mathias Haynes (Jr) of Epsom, my homestead farm; 1837, Simeon L. Sanders from James & Eliphalet Wiggin; 1886, Calvin A. Chapman, Epsom from Caroline Sanders, Sarah J. Straw, Caroline A. Chapman and Mary A. Sanders, grantees by will of Simeon L. Sanders, 90 acres, land and buildings excluding cemetery; May 1894, James H. Tripp from Mrs, Caroline Sanders, widow of Simeon L. Sanders; June 1894, Norman H. Munroe from James H. Tripp; 1939, N. Scott Munroe from Norman H. Munroe; 1966, Richard Harkness Jr. & Sarah from Mary H. Munroe, widow of Norman Scott Munroe, title derived from all five children in 1953.

**GENEALOGY:** Mathias Haines married Hannah Johnson in 1716, daughter of John Johnson and Hannah Lewis. They had for children: Lewis, Matthias, Eleanor, Hannah, Abner, Martha and John. Son John married Olive Weeks, daughter of Matthias Weeks and Sarah Sanborn. They were married in 1755 and had children: Lydia who died young; Jenny, who married John Johnson Dearborn; Eleanor who married Bennett Libbey; Jeremiah who married Margaret Dearborn; Elisha who married Betsey Bartlett, Olive, who married Thomas Bickford; John married Betsey Merrill and removed to Maine; Sally, who married first Nathaniel Wiggin and second John Robinson; Levi married Polly Dolbeer and Matthias who married Sarah Smith and removed to Vermont.

Jeremiah Haines who married Margaret Dearborn in 1784, had two children; Mary, who did not marry, and John Sherburne Haynes.

Simeon L. Sanders married Caroline Colby in 1837 and had children: Sarah Jane who married William Henry Straw; Caroline Augusta who married as his second wife n 1864, George S. Chapman, son of Samuel T. and Deborah (Dow) Chapman; Mary Augusta who did not marry; and Nancy L. who died age 2.

Samuel T. Sanders and his wife Deborah had the following children; Malinda, Joseph, George S., William, Mary Ann, Elizabeth F., Sarah J., Abby M., Emily C., Susan and Charles A.. Charles A. Chapman married Sarah Ann Bartlett.

Norman H. Munroe was the son of William N. Munroe and Barbara Rynard. They had for children: Norman H. who married Helen Hardy; Joseph E. who died a young man; Robert I. who died age 28; and Arthur B. who died age 25.

Norman H. Munroe and wife Helen had for children: Norman Scott who married Mary Hannah Brown; Adin Donald who married Barbara A. Shaw.

Norman Scott Munroe and his wife Mary Hannah had for children: Velma Jane who married Olaf Hanson; Donald Scott who married Patricia Brown; Edna G. who married Charles Irving; Lois K. who married Sherman Pillsbury; and Mary Eunice who married John K. Pillsbury.

