

Spurlin-Moore House, 429 Black Hall Road, Epsom, NH

William Yeaton arrived in Epsom and began buying land, eventually owning most of the property from about the location of the current Epsom Central School to Short Falls. Most of the property was eventually divided to many of his sons, most having houses on Black Hall Road. William bought this property and sold it to sons Joseph and John, with Joseph ending up with this lot. He most likely built the current house about 1815, and raised his family there, and starting the burying ground that connects to the house. His children, plus he and his wife are buried there. With no surviving children, the property passed to Joseph's wife's brother, William Brown, who sold it to James M. Brown. James also made use of the cemetery, with both he and his wife, along with daughter Nora being buried there. The property had a barn, of which only one surviving picture survives, and appears to be either tumbling down or being dismantled.

The Spurlin family owned several homes in this area, mostly in the name of John Spurlin, though Elbridge reared his family here and it passed to his son Clifton.

CHRONOLOGY of owners (not necessarily resident):

Original right of Benjamin Parker lot 84; 1799, Nathaniel Sanders from Rufus Amory who probably bought the property through tax sale; 1804/05, William Yeaton, in two transactions, from Nathaniel Sanders of Epsom, all of lot 84; 1808/09, Joseph Yeaton from William Yeaton, part of lot 84, 60 plus acres in 2 deeds; 1833/34, William Brown from Betsey (Brown) Yeaton, widow of Joseph; 1846, James M. Brown from William Brown, being the same farm in which my late sister Betsey Yeaton lived, excepting the burying ground; 1883, John Spurlin from Lizzie A. Bryant, wife of James Bryant, 125 acres more or less, not intending to convey the burying ground, the homestead farm of the late James M. Brown and conveyed to Lizie Bryant by his will Jan. 9, 1882; 1923, Henry D. Biscornet from Annie Spurlin/Clifton L. Spurlin; 1923, Louise Langlitz from Thomas Brasley and Henry D. Biscornet, reserving the burying ground now enlosed by a stone wall, near the house, about 8 acres, more or less; 1929, Crace Santa Paula from Louis Langlitz; 1954, Henry S. & Louise Moore of Rochester form Joseph Santa Paula, his title under the will of the said Grace Santa Paula; 1969, Louise Moore form Henry S. Moore, single, of Nashua; 1999, Wayne Moore from Louise Dowst, aka Louise E. Moore.

GENEALOGY: Joseph Yeaton was the son of William Yeaton and Hannah Towle. He married Elizabeth Brown, daughter of John Brown and Sarah Allen. They had children: Theodate who died in 1836