



Thomas House, 18 Goboro Road, Epsom, NH

The house on this lot was originally standing near the top of Colby Road and was the residence of the James Clark family, and an earlier homestead of Abraham Wallace. On the original site remains the foundation of the barn, the steps into the house and the Wallace family cemetery. The property was later owned by James M. Clark and bought by Benjamin Towle in 1865; the house sold to William Goss who had it moved to Gossville where, according to Benjamin M. Towle, it was used as a carriage and paint shop. Sometime prior to 1874 it was made into a dwelling house when he sold it to Nancy L. Mack, his sister. Nancy's husband (Jeremiah Mack, her second) died in 1877 and she married for her third spouse, Jonathan Marden, who added the ell to the house. This was Jonathan's second marriage and he outlived Nancy, who died in 1887. It was owned for many years by Mary I. Sanders, daughter of Edward Edmunds and Nancy L. (Goss) Edmunds who bought the house from Jonathan Marden in 1888. Mary I. Goss married Warren A. Sanders. Next to the house for many years was the blacksmith shop of Moses Q. Burnham

CHRONOLOGY of owners (not necessarily resident):

Original lot of Shadrach Walton Lot #94 in the third range; 1761, purchased by Jeremiah Prescott; 1783, Joseph Cilley from Jeremiah Prescott, land that I bought of my honored father, Jeremiah Prescott; 1799, Daniel Cilley from father General Joseph Cilley by will, land I bought of Jeremiah Prescott; 1855, William Goss from William P. Cilley, heir of Daniel Cilley; 1874, Nancy L. Mack from William Goss; 1884, Mary J. Sanders from Jonathan Marden, all the real estate and personal property as husband and heir at law to Nancy L. Marden, deceased; 1921, Joseph E. Wood from Mary I. Sanders; 1926, Cecile P. Brown from Joseph E. Wood; 1951, Walter Reams, Olive reams, Hiram Thomas and Carolyn R. Thomas from Cecile P. Brown; 1985, Karen R. Hayes of Laconia from Hiram F. and Carolyn R. Thomas.

GENEALOGY: Jeremiah Prescott married in 1741, Jane Sherburne and had children in Epsom including son Jeremiah Prescott. Jeremiah Prescott (Jr) married Molly Sanborn, daughter of Timothy Sanborn and Elizabeth Leach.

Daniel Cilley, son of General Joseph Cilley of Nottingham, married Hannah Plumer, daughter of

Jonathan Marden was the son of Samuel Marden and Betsey Emerson. He married first Mary A. Hopkinson, daughter of John Hopkinson and Hannah Ring. Jonathan and Mary had children: Truman R., Frank W., Delia T., and Mary R. Marden. He married second Nancy L. (Goss) Edmunds Mack and third Sarah Fields.

