

# **Epsom articles from old newspapers**

## **Chronological**

### **NH Gazette 4-10-1761**

THESE are to NOTIFY the Proprietors of the Town of Epsom, that they meet at the House of Mr. Jonathan Longfellow, Innholder in Rye, on Wednesday the 15th Day of April next, to chuse a Committee to prosecute such as have cut and carried Lumber off Epsom Common; such as refuse or neglect to settle with the present Committee: As also to act any Thing that shall be tho't proper for the Benefit of said Town and Proprietors. Also those Gentlemen that claim Rights in the Town of Epsom, and had not had them, are desired to appear at said Meeting, and prove their Rights, if any they have. The Meeting to begin at Ten of the Clock in the Forenoon.

NATHAN MARDEN, Proprietors Clerk

### **2/25/1768**

Province of New Hampshire.

Know all Men by these Presents, that I Josiah Sanborn of Epsom, in said Province of New Hampshire, Yeoman, have constituted sundry Person from and before the Date of these Presents, to act in my Name; Now Know ye, that I do utterly disannul and revoke all former Power and Persons to act any Thing in my Name, or in my Stead, to appear by Virtue of any Power that I have given before this Date.

Epsom Feb. 25, 1768, JOSAIH SANBORN

### **NH Gazette 5-26-1769**

TO BE SOLD (cheap for Cash) by WALTER PHILBROOK of Greenland, A Tract of LAND lying and being in the Towhship of Epsom, being the Lot No. 43 in the third Range, containing 100 Acres. Said Land is well Timbered and Watered and will be warranted good and free and clear of Incumbrances whatever. ALSO,

To be Sold by said PHILBROOK, half a Pew in Greenland Meeting House.

### **Massachusetts Gazette, 4-12-1770**

**T H E following may be depended on as Fact**

THAT some time in the beginning of January last, several men being together in the woods at Epsom in New Hampshire, found a bear in his den. They had several dogs with them, who were so intimidated by the threats of the bear, who, considering his house as his castle, menaced instant destruction to the audacious animal who should attempt a forcible entry upon his habitation, that none of them could be persuaded to undertake the hazardous enterprise. The men, hoping, by exciting his vindictive disposition, to provoke him to the imprudence of a sally to punish their insolence, offered many contemptuous insults to him and his habitation. But he, conscious that, considering the superior force of the besiegers, his citadel was his only safety, wisely curbed his naturally hasty temper, and resolved to act entirely upon the defensive. This resolution disconcerted all the measures of the assailants. While they were deliberating and settling the plan of their future operations, a young man, driving a yoke or two of oxen, came to them, and proposed to go himself into the den, and fasten a chain to the hind legs of the animal, and draw him out with the oxen. The proposal was approved. The youth, a chain being fastened about his middle, in order to speedily to withdraw him from military execution, in case of a summary proceeding against him by martial law, took a chain in his hand, boldly entered the gloomy abode, fastened the chain as was proposed, and returned in safety; the vindictive animal, surprised, as it seems, at the intrepidity of the youth, having made no resistance. At the first effort of the oxen, the chain slipped off from the bear's legs, &c defeated the impatient hopes of the party. Our young adventurer, with the like precautions as before, now a second time visited the region of darkness, fixed the chain effectually, and returned to his companions. The oxen were obliged to pull pretty hard to dislodge the animal from his dwelling, he endeavoring still to keep possession by closely embracing the roots of trees which supported his roof; but at length, superior force obliged him to quit his hold, and he was drawn by the cattle into the midst of his enemies, whose unprovoked fury soon put a period to his life. Such was the unfortunate end of this TRUE BORN SON OF LIBERTY!

**12-30-1774**

## **PORTSMOUTH**

We hear from Greenland that a large Number of the most respectable Inhabitants of that Town convened on Saturday the 17th Day of December current, at the House of Mr. John Folsom, Innholder in said Town, and by erecting a LIBERTY POLE, and by several Votes there passed discovered the firmest Attachment to the Cause of Liberty and a fix'd Determination to defend the Priviledge of Americans with their Lives and Fortunes.

N.B. The above Conduct & Determination being very disagreeable to Col.

March, he enter'd his Dissent, and said none but lazy, idle Fellows, such as your Andrew McClarys and Jo Cilley;s would have anything to do with such Business, and that he would indemnify any one that would cut the Pole down.

### **1-9-1775**

I Find it absolutely denied in your Last that Col. March ever said that none but lazy idle Fellows such as your Andrew McClary's and Jo Cilley's would have any Thing to do with such Business, That he did then and there as formerly mentioned in you Paper utter those very identical Words the following Gentlemen are at any Time ready when properly called upon the make solemn Oath to the Truth of William Haines, Thomas Berry, John Weeks.

### **Essex Journal 1-25-1775 E P S O M (New Hampshire) Resolves.**

At a legal meeting of the inhabitants of the town of Epsom, held on Monday the 9th day of January 1775; and at said meeting chose deputies to meet at Exeter on the 25th instant, agreeable to a letter sent to said town for that purpose (then took as fellows under their consideration: as the grand Continental Congress advises a non-importation and a non consumption of goods to be the most effectual method to safe our deplorable situation: and as we view the Scotch merchants and traders in general to be no friends to our country, and is altogether for self interest and lucrative gain; and to accomplish their designs, has filled the country with hawker, peddlers and petty chapmen, with their lawns, cambricks, ribbons &c. - tempting women, girls and boys, with their unnecessary fineries, which is a moth to our country, and damage to all honest merchants and traders that are true friends to our country, and that deals upon honor; and to prevent all such diabolical proceedings for the future, &c. Passed a Resolve, that no peddlers, hawkers, or petty chapmen, shall be tolerated for the future to sell or dispose of any goods of what name or nature soever in said town, upon no less penalty than receiving a new suit agreeable to the modern made, and a forfeiture of their goods. And then chose a committee to inspect into the above resolve, and see that it is carefully executed.

### **New England Chronicle 2-8-1776 DESERTED**

DESERTED some time ago from the company under my command in Col. Starks regiment, one Benjamin Barey, a fellow about 20 years of age, about 5 feet 8 inches high, formerly belonged to Epsom, in New Hampshire. Also, one Jonathan Wilkins, about 5 feet 7 inches high, a well built man about 27 years of age, formerly belonged to Amherst in New Hampshire. Whoever will bring said deserters to their regiment, on Winter Hill, shall have 5 dollars reward for

each or either of them, by me.  
AMOS MORRILL  
Camp on Winter Hill, Feb. 12, 1776

**Exeter Journal 3-10-1778**

ALL persons who have any demands upon the estate of the late Rev. John Tucke of Epsom, deceas'd are desired to bring them in to Mary Tucke, Administratrix to said estate. And all indebted to said estate are desired to make immediate payment.

Epsom, March 6th, 1777

**From early newspapers 1780:**

All persons thus have any demands against the estate of Major ANDREW McCLARY, late of Epsom, deceased, are required(?) to bring in their claims to ELIZABETH McCLARY, Administratrix to said estate, in order for settlement. And these persons who are indebted to said estate are requested to make speedy payment, otherwise they must expect to settle the consequence without further notice.

Elizabeth McClary, Administratrix  
Epsom, November 22, 1780

**NH Gazette 12-21-1782**

T O B E S O L D  
At PUBLIC AUCTION,

At the house of Elizabeth McClary, innholder in Epsom, on Tuesday the seventh day of January next, at ten o'clock in the forenoon (by virtue of a licence from the honorable Judge of Probate of Wills, &c. for the county of Rockingham) the following lots of land in Epsom, aforesaid, viz. One lot in the first range, No 12, containing 26 acres - one lot No 3, in the second range, containing 30 acres - one half the lot No 61, in the same range, containing by grant about 52 acres, mostly under improvement, with a barn and orchard thereon; - also part of the lot No 105 in the third range, containing about 45 acres; - likewise one lot in Pittsfield, containing 50 acres, which was originally part of the right of Thomas Westbrook Esq; - also, the common and undivided land belonging to the said 50 acre lot. -

Said lands, are part of the real estate of Andrew McClary, late of Epsom, aforesaid, Esq; deceased. Conditions of sale to be seen at time and place.  
Epsom, December 16, 1782

**NH Gazette 7-26-1783**

T H E creditors to the estate of John Dwyer late of Epsom, deceased, intestate, represented insolvent, are hereby notified tat six months longer from the 29th day of May last are allowed the commissioners to receive their claim against said estate, and that they will attend that business on the first Monday of the five following months from three to six o'clock P.M. at the house of Widow McClary, innholder in said Epsom.

JAMES GRAY

MICHAEL McCLARY, Commissioners

Epsom, June 22d, 1783

**NH Gazette 11-11-1785**

State of New Hampshire

THE subscribers, appointed commissioners to receive and examine the claims of the several creditors to the estate of John Casey, late of Epsom, in the county of Rockingham, trader, deceased, represented insolvent; give notice that six months from the date hereof, are allowed the creditors to exhibit their claims, and that they will be ready to receive them on the first Wednesday of the five following months, at the house of the widow Elizabeth McClary in said Epsom, at 10 o'clock, A.M. of each of said days.

JEREMIAH EASTMAN

JOSEPH MARCH

RICHARD JENNESS, Commissioners.

Epsom, November 8m 1785.

**From early newspapers 1786:**

State of New Hampshire, Rockingham

By leave from the Honorable Philip White, Esq. judge of probate, for the county of Rockingham, will be sold at public vendue at the house of Elizabeth McClary, in Epsom, on Monday the 27th day of March, instant, at two of the clock, afternoon, part of the real estate of of Andrew McClary, late of Epsom, Esq. deceased, viz.

A piece of land in Deerfield, being part of the lot No. 25, in the 8th range, containing 60 acres, well watered, with a considerable quantity of oak and pine timber standing thereon, and produces yearly, about 8 or 10 tons of hay.

Another piece of land lying in Epsom, being one of the home lots, in said town, containing (by grant) 50 acres, pleasantly situated, lying on the road that leads through said town, and adjoining to the home lot that Major Amos Morrill now

lives on. -- Said land has, for a number of years, been under improvement; has on it a good ORCHARD, that will produce 12 barrels of cyder yearly, is well watered, and pasturing sufficient to keep (in the season of pasturing) six cows; and as good for tillage and mowing as any in said town, according to the quantity of acres.

Conditions of sale to be seen at time and place.

ELIZABETH McCLARY, Adm. to said estate.

Epsom, March 1, 1786

**From old newspaper 1786:**

By virtue of a license from the hon. judge of Probate, &c. for the county of Rockingham will be sold at PUBLICK VENDUE, on Friday the 6th day of October next, at the dwelling house of the widow Mary Tuck of Epsom, ONE HUNDRED ACRES OF GOOD LAND in said Epsom, No. 8 , in the second range, ---Conditions of sale to be made known at the time and place of sale. -- Also, to be LETT and entered upon next April, the FARM where the widow Mary Tucke now lives, containing 100 acres with a good dwelling house and barn thereon, the said Farm is partly under improvement, it has produced eight tons of good English hay, sixteen barrels of cyder, and fifty bushels of Indian corn, has excellent pasturing. -- For further particulars enquire of the widow Mary Tucke of Epsom, or Daniel Pierce of Portsmouth.

Portsmouth September 5, 1786

**The Argus 4-17-1792 OSGOOD DWELLING**

On Tuesday the 3d inst. the dwelling house of Col. Samuel Osgood, of Epsom, accidentally took fire, and with their provisions, and some of their furniture, &c was consumed.

**9-7-1792**

GOODS,  
FREE FROM THE INFECTION  
OF THE SMALL POX

William Duncan,

Informs the public, that he has for sale, a general assortment of  
English and Westindia

GOODS,

at his Stores in

Concord, Epsom, and Sanbornton,

Which he is selling cheap for

Cash, Ashes, Salts, and Flax Seed.

He also informs the public in general, that those GOODS were received before the Small Pox broke out in Boston and the adjacent towns; and that he will not receive any Goods into his Stores, from Boston, Charlestown, or any towns where that contagious disease prevails, until they are thoroughly free from the infection.

C A S H

And the highest price, given for  
Good Salts.

Wanted, a quantity of  
Good Staves & Heading.

Concord, Sept. 7, 1792

### **6-31-1793**

T O B E S O L D

On reasonable Terms,

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A FARM containing one hundred acres of land; with a convenient Dwelling House, Store and Barn, and appurtenances, agreeably situated and lying in Epsom, between the house of Major MORRILL and the Meetinghouse, now in the occupation of the subscribers, of whom information will be given respecting the terms, and a good title to the premises.

SAMUEL and JOSEPH TUCK

Epsom, June 31, 1793

### **8-28-1793**

F A R M S

To be Sold in Epsom.

The first containing about 175 acres of good land, under good improvement, consisting of mowing, pasturing, tillage, orcharding and woodland, pleasantly situated near the meeting house, and will serve for two small farms, having heretofore been improved as such, and has on it two houses, three barns and out houses, and is well situated for a trader, tradesman or innholder.

A second containing about 100 acres, chiefly under improvement, with a house, barn, orchard, &c. thereon.

A third containing about 90 acres, under some improvement, with a house and barn on the same, and a good privilege for saw and grist mills.

Also,

A mill for grinding Scythes in a good place for a blacksmith, where he may

have a good run of business.

And

Several other small pieces of land, all of which will be sold together, or divided and subdivided, as will best suit the purchaser. For further particulars

Inquire of AMOS MORRILL.

Epsom, August 28, 1793

### **The Mirror 1-30-1795**

#### **Unhappy Accident**

On Wednesday last, at a large company of gentlemen and ladies from Epsom, upon a party of pleasure, were crossing the river in this town at Tucker's ferry, the horses belonging to one of the sleighs on descending the eastern bank, took a fright, overset and broke the sleigh to pieces, and threw those that were in it with such violence upon the ice, that one of the young ladies, Miss Hannah Dickey, received such a shock that she has since been \_\_\_ of all sense, and almost emotion - She is at the house of Dr. Carignain, and her life is pronounced extremely dubious.

### **NH Gazette 5-29-1798**

State of New Hampshire

County of Rockingham

ALL persons indebted to the estate of George W. Ham, late of Pittsfield, in said county, yeoman, deceased, are requested to settle the same with the subscriber, administrator on the estate of said deceased, and all persons having demands on said estate are desired to exhibit the same for settlement.

WILLIAM M'CLARY.

Epsom, May 26, 1798

### **NH Gazette 5-29-1798**

State of New Hampshire.

County of Rockingham.

ALL persons indebted to, or that have demands on the estate of Ephraim Lock, late of Epsom, in said county, gentleman, deceased, are desired to settle the same with the subscriber, administrator on the estate of said deceased.

FRANCIS LOCK.

Epsom, May 25, 1798

### **NH Gazette 8-14-1798**



ALL persons indebted to or who have demands against the estate of ANNA JOHNSON, late of Epping, deceased, are desired to exhibit them for settlement to the subscriber, administrator on said estate.

DAVID LAWRENCE MORRIL.

Epsom, July 30, 1798

WHO HAS FOR SALE.

Within twenty rods of Epsom Meeting House; three quarters of an acre of Land, on which is a beautiful garden spot, a small House and Barn, decently furnished.

### **Courier of New Hampshire 5-10-1800**

WHEREAS Sarah, the wife of me the subscriber, has eloped from my bed and board, and has behaved herself very disorderly: This is therefore to forbid any person's harbouring or trusting her on my account, as I am determined not to pay any debts she may contract after this date.

THOMAS MARDEN

Epsom, May 3, 1800.

### **NH Gazette 12-23-1800**

A GOOD BARGAIN FOR A CLOTHIER.

THE subscriber offers for sale in the town of Epsom, within one hundred rods of the meeting house, and on the main road leading through said town, about thirty acres of good land, with a good House, thirty three feet by thirty, and one story high, with a convenient shop for a clothier, with press, shears, &c. complete, and two convenient barns, a good well, and pretty orchard thereon - also a new fulling mill in complete order, standing on an excellent stream, with one half acre of land adjoining the same.

Also, six acres of good wood land, within one mile of the dwelling house - for further particulars inquire of the subscribers on the premises.

JONATHAN PEARSON

### **US Oracle 7-4-1801**

TO BE SOLD,

BY PRIVATE SALE,

A Small FARM in Epsom one mile from the Meeting-House, about fifty or sixty acres, with house, barn, and a large work-shop, consisting of good Mowing and Tillage land, good Well, and an apple Orchard that will recommend itself - The premises may be entered on immediately if required, and

long credit given. - For particulars enquire of IRA SANBRON of Epsom, or the printer hereof.

### **United State Oracle 5-8-1802**

20 Dollars Reward.

BRADBURY KENNISTON, a Private in the Artillerists of the United States, was directed on the 1st instant to repair to the Post Office in Portsmouth, by land, after the letters and papers belonging to the Officers of this Garrison; and on the receipt of some letters and papers at the post-office, he deserted the service of the United States.

Said KENNISTON was born in the town of Epsom in this state. - 24 years of age - 5 feet and 8 inches in height - black eyes - black short hair - and dark complexion; wore away a round hat - a regimental coat - short blue pantaloons and boots. Whoever will apprehend said KENNISTON, and return him to the subscriber, or secure him in any Goal, so that he may be obtained, shall receive a reward of TWENTY DOLLARS, and a reimbursement of all necessary expenses.

AMOS STODDARD, Capt.

Commanding

Fort Constitution, May 3, 1802

### **NH Gazette 7-6-1802**

ALL persons who have demands against the estate of  
EBENEZER WALLACE,

Late of Epsom, husbandman, deceased, are hereby requested to exhibit the same for settlement: And those indebted to said estate are likewise desired to make payment to

JOHN WALLACE, Adm'r.

Epsom, June 29, 1802

### **NH Gazette 10-5-1802**

TO BE SOLD

On reasonable Terms,

A FARM

IN Epsom, containing about one hundred and twenty acres with good buildings, well wooded and watered, within fifty rods of the Meeting House, in said Epsom, for further particulars apply to JONATHAN LOCK on the premises.

Epsom, Sept. 27.

**NH Gazette 7-12-1803**

FOR SALE

A Valuable Farm,

LYING in Epsom, on what is called New Orchard Road, leading to Pittsfield; containing seventy-five acres; a two story House, double in length, with a good Cellar, and never failing Well of water, with a food Barn thereon. Said FARM produces twenty-five tons of English Hay annually, and pasturing in proportion, with a young thrifty Orchard that has produced forty barrels of Cyder, annually. Said Farm is well watered and wooded. - For further particulars inquire of Capt. WILLIAM BARTON, living on the premises, or JAMES H. M'CLARY.

Epsom, June 14, 1803.

**NH Gazette 7-19-1803**

ALL persons who have demands against the Estate of JONATHAN LOCKE,

late of Epsom, husbandman, deceased, are desired to exhibit them without delay; and those who are indebted to said Estate, are requested to make immediate payment to the subscriber, Administratrix to said Estate, or to SAM'L MORRIL, her Attorney.

ALLICE LOCKE

**Courier of New Hampshire 1-4-1804**

WHEREAS Polly Wyman, wife of the subscriber, having long since left my bed and board, and in various instances run me a debt, and otherwise conducted herself in a very unbecoming manner, by living with other men; I therefore hereby forbid all persons harbouring or trusting her on my account, as I shall pay no debt of her contracting after this date.

THEODORE WYMAN

Epsom, Dec. 2, 1803

**Portsmouth Oracle 7-21-1804**

Epsom October 28, 1803

THE Partnership betwixt JAMES H. M'CLARY of Epsom, and DANIEL GOOKIN of North-Hampton, is this day by mutual consent dissolved. All Persons indebted to said Company are to make payment to said McCLARY, by whom all debts of the Company will be paid.

JAMES H. M'CLARY  
DANIEL GOOKIN

**NH Gazette 11-19-1805**

Rockingham, ss.

ALL persons indebted to, or that have any demands against the estate of GEORGE SANDERS, late of Epsom, in said county, yeoman, deceased, are requested to settle the same with the subscriber, executor to the last will and testament of said deceased.

JOHN SANDERS

Epsom, October 31, 1805.

**1806**

**REGIMENTAL ORDERS !**

The Militia is the defence of our common country - therefore it is necessary that they should be equip'd.

TO the Soldiers of the eighteenth Regiment of Militia in the State of New Hampshire - You are early and earnestly requested to equip yourselves with a good Fire-Lock, Bayonet, Belt and Cartouche-Box, before the next Battalion or Regimental Reviews; otherwise you will not be received, and shall expect to be dealt with as the law directs; those who are not able to equip themselves may make immediate application to the town in which they belong.

By order of the Lt. Col. Com.

DANIEL CILLEY, Adjutant

Epsom, December 24, 1806

**NH Gazette 8-5-1806**

ALL persons having demands against the estate of SIMON BROWN, late of Epsom, deceased, are requested to exhibit them, and those indebted to make immediate payment to the subscriber, or SAMUEL MORRIL, her attorney.

ELISABETH BROWN, Adm'x.

Epsom, July 24th, 1806.

**Portsmouth Oracle 2-28-1807**

NOTICE is hereby given, that the Directors of the N.H. Turnpike Road, have voted to farm out for one year, from the first day of April next, the Toll that may be collected at the several gates on the said Road, and collected at the several gates on the said Road, and the same will be disposed of at Public

Auction to the highest bidder - viz. the Toll that may be collected from gates No. 1,2,3 & 4 being the four lower gates, as the house of Joseph Richardson, innholder at Durham, on Thursday the 19th of March next, at 2 o'clock P.M. and the Toll from gates No. 5 and 6, being the two upper gates, at Godfrey's Tavern, at Epsom, on the 20th March, at 11 o'clock A.M. - Satisfactory security will be required of the purchasers, that they pay over to the Treasurer of the propriety, the amount of their respective purchases in four equal quarterly payments.

By order of the Directors,  
JOSEPH AKERMAN, JR.  
Proprietor's Clerk.  
Portsmouth, February 21

### **NH Gazette 9-22-1807**

The second company of Light Infantry in the 18th Regiment of Militia in New Hampshire, formed in the town of Epsom, under the command of S.A. Heath, have volunteered their services to government.

### **Concord Gazette 11-16-1807**

TAKE NOTICE

THIS is to forbid all persons harboring or trusting, John Sherburne, Abigail Sherburne, Polly Sherburne, Betsey Sherburne, David Sherburne, jun. and Nancy Sherburne, my children, on my account, as I shall pay no debt or debts of their contracting after this date.

NATHANIEL SHERBURNE  
Epsom, Oct. 20th, 1807

### **NH Gazette 12-22-1807**

ALL persons who have demands against the estate of JOSEPH SHERBURNE, late of Epsom, deceased, are requested to exhibit them, and those indebted to make immediate payment to  
DANIEL SHERBURNE, Executor  
Epsom, Nov. 30th, 1807

### **NH Gazette 2-4-1808**

State of New Hampshire-Rockingham, ss.

NOTICE is hereby given to William M'Crillis, a non-resident proprietor and owner of land in the town of EPSOM, in said county, who had not paid his State, county, town, school and highway tax for the year 1804 - that so much of

his land as will pay the same with incidental charges, will be sold at public vendue to the highest bidder, at the dwelling house of Daniel Cilley in said Epsom, on Monday the 24th day of March next, at 10 o'clock A.M. unless prevented by previous payment.

ANDREW SANBORN, Collector

Epsom, January 14, 1805

### **NH Gazette 3-1-1808**

NOTICE is hereby given that all the real estate, formerly owned and occupied by John Godfrey, lying in Epsom, will be sold at Public Auction on Monday the 4th day of April next, at eleven o'clock in the forenoon, consisting of about 50 acres of LAND, with the buildings thereof, viz. - A new and convenient dwelling house, thirty by forty feet, one story high, well finished with a good cellar under it; a new and convenient Barn, Shed, and a Coopers Shop, situate on the first New Hampshire Turnpike Road, leading from Concord to Portsmouth, and on the road leading from Gilmanton to Newburyport, which renders it an excellent stand for a Tavern or Trader.

Sale to be on the premises, when the conditions will be made known. - Further information may be had by applying to LEVI MEAD & JOHN HARVEY of Northwood, - or JOHN GODFREY, living on the premises.

Northwood, February 22, 1808

### **Concord Gazette 3-15-1808 Article**

We several weeks since noticed the death of Mr. \* Abner Clough of Loudon. We are informed that his body was taken up last Saturday, and was examined by several physicians. It appears that the day previous to his death, he was in company with one Cilley in Epping; and as Mr. Clough happened to give him some trivial cause of provocation, Cilley retaliated by giving him a number of severe blows, with the butt end of his Whip, which are supposed to be the cause of his death. Cilley has been apprehended, and is to be brought before a justice next Thursday at Epsom.

\*The Christian name was inserted in his death Jonathan, through mistake.

### **Concord Gazette 3-22-1808 Article**

On Thursday the 16th inst. Before the Hon. Timothy Walker, Esq. came on the examination of the complaint against Benjamin Cilley of Nottingham, for beating and abusing Abner Clough, of Loudon, by giving him sundry blows with the butt end of a whip, on the left side of his head and neck (which was supposed to be the means of his death) at the house of Col. Levi Towles, in

Epping, on the evening of the 11th day of February, last: Clough afterwards went on a sleigh to his house in Loudon, on the same night, and died the next morning. On the 9th inst. The body of Clough, was taken from the ground and examined by several Physicians, after this, a warrant was issued to apprehend Cilley.

Several Gentlemen of the Bar, from this and the lower part of the county, were engaged in this hearing, which was held in the meeting house at Epsom, and occupied three days, a very large concourse of people of both sexes attended during the whole time, Judge Walker, after giving a candid and satisfactory hearing of the witnesses, and Council on both sides, ordered that Cilley should be committed to the prison in Exeter, to be tried at the next session of the Superior Court in that county.

We thought it our duty to make this brief statement to gratify in some measure the public curiosity, but we should deem any remarks on the evidence that appeared on the enquiry at Epsom, at this time improper, as it might tend to give an undue bias to the public mind, previous to the trial of the prisoner, before the Superior Court. We hope, and we believe it to be no less the wish of the friends of the deceased, that the trial should be by unprejudiced jury, that if innocent, he may be acquitted, and if guilty, convicted.

### **NH Gazette 3-7-1809**

NOTICE is hereby given that the subscriber has been duly appointed Administrator to the estate of JAMES CHAMBERS, late of Epsom, in the county of Rockingham, Cooper, deceased, and had taken upon himself that trust, by giving bonds as the law directs, - All persons having demands against said estate are requested to exhibit them for adjustment - and all persons indebted to said estate are requested to make payment to THOMAS D. MERRILL, Administrator.

Epsom, February 14th, 1809

### **NH Gazette 3-21-1809**

NOTICE

ALL persons having demands against the Estate of THOMAS BABB, late of Epsom, in the county of Rockingham, Esquire, deceased, are requested to exhibit them for settlement, and all indebted to said estate are desired to make immediate payment to

SARAH BABB, Executrix

Epsom, March 15, 1809

### **9-25-1809**

TAKE NOTICE.

ALL persons who have demands against the Estate of SETH BARTLETT, late of Epsom, deceased, are requested to exhibit them; and those indebted, to make immediate payment to

LOIS BARTLETT

MARY BARTLETT

Epsom, Sept. 25th, 1809

### **Concord Gazette 3-6-1810**

RECORDER OF DEEDS

Mr. Tuttle,

It is a great hardship that the Northern part of the County of Rockingham, which is very populous, should be subjected to the great inconvenience of having their Courts of Law, and all the county offices at the lower part of the county. Some of the offices might be more central without any new expense to the county- particularly that of Recorder of Deeds. I therefore take the liberty of recommending

CAPT. JAMES GRAY,

of Epsom, as a Gentleman well qualified to discharge the duties of that office.

The central situation of Epsom, and its being a post town, renders it a very suitable place for the office. I understand that this Gentleman, will be handsomely supported by the upper part of the County, and the other parts of the county, can have no reasonable objection to the removal of the office.

A VOTER

### **NH Gazette 4-17-1810**

NOTICE.

The subscriber Executor of the last Will and Testament of JOSPEH SHERBURNE, late of Epsom, deceased, will exhibit his account at the Probate court to be holden in Epsom on the third Wednesday of May next for examination and allowance.

DANIEL SHERBURNE

Epsom, March 21, 1810

### **5-29-1810**

NOTICE.

THE subscriber being appointed by the Hon. Nathaniel Rogers, Esq. Judge of the Probate of Wills &c. for the county of Rockingham, Guardian of JOSEPH



ALLEN, of Epsom, a person adjudged non comps mentis, is hereby forbids all persons trading or trusting the said Allen, if they would avoid the penalty of the law.

SAMUEL MORRIL,  
Epsom, May 26th, 1810

**NH Gazette 2-12-1811**

James H. M'Clary's Estate.  
County of Rockingham ss.

THE Subscribers being duly appointed commissioners to receive and examine the claims of the several Creditors to the Estate of JAMES H. M'CLARY, late of Epsom, in said county, Esquire, deceased, represented insolvent, hereby give notice that they will attend to that business, at the late dwelling house of said deceased, in Epsom, on the first Monday of March next, and on the first Mondays of the five following Months, from two to six of the clock, afternoon, on said days

JOSIAH SANDBORN  
DANIEL CILLEY  
SAMUEL MORRIL  
Epsom, Jan. 31, 1811

NOTICE.

State of New Hampshire,  
County of Rockingham ss

THE subscriber, Administratrix on the estate of  
James H. M'Clary

Late of said Epsom, in said county, Esquire, deceased, intends to exhibit her administration account for settlement, to the Judge of Probate, at a Probate Court to be holden at Epsom on the third Wednesday of January next.

ELIZABETH M'CLARY  
October 31, 1811

STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

Rockingham, ss

NOTICE is hereby given, that at the Probate Court to be holden at Epsom, on the third Wednesday of January next, at 11 o'clock A.M. the account of Widow Mary Knowles, of her administration of

Deacon SIMEON KNOWLES'

Estate, late of Northwood, husbandman, deceased, will be presented for

examination and allowance.  
MARY KNOWLES, Adminin'x.  
December 15.

## **NH Gazette 6-2-1812**

Attention ye Brave !

**CITIZENS AND PATRIOTS !**

YOUR country having been insulted her rights most wantonly violated, her seamen plundered on the high seas, and ignominiously enslaved by the tyrants of the ocean, the government of the United States, after having exerted all amicable and pacisick means to redress the manifold wrongs, which for years have accumulated beyond further endurance, has determined to vindicate the dignity and honor of the republic in the field of battle, and calls on all the friends to its laws, independence and constitution to rally round the standard of liberty, prepared to nobly defend its dearest privileges or perish in the glorious attempt.

When the drubbing drum summons you to the field, and the trumpet of war sounds the charge to victory or death, each gallant spirit will rush to the standard of union and emulate the deeds of the heroes of the revolution. Like them every real American will contend for the honor of the battlefield. Inspired by the brilliant achievements of Bunker's heights, the plains of Saratoga, Monmouth and Yorktown, the glories of a military procession must rouse into valorous exertion the exalted faculties of the martial soul.

You are called upon to wage no predatory war for the personal aggrandizement of a remorseless despot -- fight for your birth rights, -- and fortunes, your wives, -- and children.

Your country offers to every able -- between the age of 18 --, who nobly tenders his services, sixteen dollars bounty, on enlistment, five dollars a month, feeds and clothes you better than any troops on the globe, and after the expiration of the time for which you enlisted, presents you three months pay over your annual compensation, and an hundred and sixty acre of excellent land, on which you can settle, make a productive farm, and rear up a host of patriots to defend your country's rights and honor.

What a glorious opportunity is now presented you to acquire the never fading laurels of the soldier, reputation and fortune. With zeal then step forth as the impregnable ramparts of freedom and become enrolled among the gallant defenders of your country.

20 active young men may be enrolled for only 18 months; and will be entitled to all the above emoluments except the land.

All disposed to serve their country will do well to apply immediately at the

rendezvous in Epsom or Dover.  
ANDREW McCLARY  
Captain of Infantry, U.S. Army

**NH Gazette 8-11-1812**

Notice to British Subjects.

United States of America, District of New Hampshire } ss.

THE Department of State having directed, that all British Subjects within the United States, report themselves to the Marshals of the Districts where they reside, either to them or such other persons as they may appoint - viz their names, their age, the time they have been in the United States, the persons composing their families, the places of their residence and their occupations or pursuits, and whether and at what time they have made the application to the courts required by law, as preparatory to their naturalization. For this purpose I do hereby give notice to all such aliens residing within this district, that they immediately report themselves, agreeably to the foregoing direction to the marshal at his office in Epsom.

MICHAEL M'CLARY, Marshal

Dated at Epsom, July 22d, 1812.

**Newburyport Herald 3-12-1813**

**POCKET BOOK LOST**

LOST last night, at the FIRE, a POCKET BOOK, containing Bank Notes to the amount of 165 dollars, and a number of valuable papers of no use to any person but the owner. - Whoever has found the same shall be suitable rewarded on application at this office.

BENJAMIN ROBINSON

Epsom, Feb. 12, 1813

**Concord Gazette 5-5-1813**

To be Let,

ON liberal terms, and possession given the 6th day of March next, that pleasantly situated Farm, in Deerfield, well known by name of Godfrey's Tavern, near Pleasant Pond, so called, which is considered to be one of the best stands for a Tavern and Store, in the State. There is on said farm, a good house, Store, two Sheds, Woodhouse, and a complete Stable, well finished, and an

Orchard that produced apples sufficient to make from 15 to 20 barrels of Cider the last season. It is also well wooded.

For further particulars, enquire of Mark French, of Epsom, where the conditions will be made known.

Jan. 5, 1813

### **NH Patriot 6-22-1813**

ABSCONDED from the town of Epsom, SOLOMON SUTTON, a town pauper. All persons are hereby forbid harboring or trusting him on the account of said town, for we shall not pay any debt of his contracting after this date.

Samuel Morrill

Richard Tripp

Bickford Lang - Selectmen

Epsom, June 10, 1813

### **NH Patriot 1-25-1814**

NOTICE. All persons who have demands against the estate of John Dolloff, late of Epsom, deceased, are requested to exhibit them; and those indebted to make immediate payment to SAMUEL MORRILL, or the subscriber.

Mary Dolloff, Adm'x

Epsom, Jan, 4, 1814

### **Concord Gazette 5-31-1814**

Dissolution of Partnership.

WE the subscribers, this day, by mutual consent, have agreed to dissolve partnership. All those indebted are requested to make immediate payment; all those who have demands against said firm, are requested to present their demands for settlement.

ROBERT KNOX

JAMES McCUTCHIN

Epsom, April 27, 1814

### **Concord Gazette 3-11-1815**

The following communication was received two or three weeks since for publication. We had heard the story to which it relates, and the source when it sprang, but deemed it too ridiculous to require contradiction. As, however, we are informed, great exertions are making to circulate this report, with a view to prevent the election of Mr. Sanborn, we feel it our duty, in justice to the character of the Gentleman, to insert the certificate of Levi Towle, Esq., the person with whom the transaction referred to, took place.

Certificate.

I the subscriber, hereby certify, that I have known and dealt with Josiah Sanborn, Esq. of Epsom, for many years. I always found him to be a fair, honest, upright man, in all his dealings. I never knew him to take any property of any kind from me wrongfully. The story that is in circulation of Esq. Sanborn's taking a twenty dollar bank bill from me, wrongfully, is a mistake. I know of no such thing: There was a 20 dollar bill swept from my table by some means, I know not how, but I did not miss the bill until Esq. Sanborn asked me if there was not a mistake about the money he had paid me; I answered not to my knowledge; I will look and see, Esq. Sanborn said you need not look, for I have taken off the floor a twenty dollar bill, and I know it to be the same bill I just paid you, and handed it to me.

LEVI TOWLE

In the Presence of SAMUEL SHAW, BENJAMIN TOWLE

Feb. 9th, 1815

### **NH Patriot 5-9-1815**

For Sale,

A FARM, situated in Epsom, in the fourth range of Lots, containing one hundred acres of excellent land, with a new barn, 46 by 42, and 125 young apple trees. About 30 acres of said lot is cleared, and fit for mowing, pasturing and tillage; the remainder is well timbered with a thick growth of white oak, white pine, yellow pine, and the easterly end of said lot joins on Suncook river, where stands a new Sawmill and Gristmill. Conditions, which will be liberal, will be made known by applying to the subscriber.

MARK FRENCH

Epsom, May 4, 1815

### **Concord Gazette 6-27-1815**

NOTICE

ALL persons indebted to the Estate of Nathan Libbey of Epsom in the County of Rockingham, deceased, are requested to make immediate payment and those

that have Demands are requested to present them for settlement at the house of the subscriber on the third Tuesday of this and the three following months at one o'clock P.M. on each of said days.

ABIGAIL LIBBEY, Executrix,  
Epsom, June 6, 1815

**NH Patriot 8-1-1815**

To be Let,

THAT pleasant and noted Stand, for a Tavern and Store, situated in Epsom on the N.H. Turnpike Road. Said House and Store are handsomely finished, in good repair, and exceeded by none between Concord and Portsmouth, for trade or a Tavern or both.

-ALSO-

To let, a FARM, one mile from said Seat containing one hundred acres of Land, of which thirty are under improvement. Conditions made known by applying to the subscriber.

MARK FRENCH

Epsom, July 14, 1815

**NH Patriot 11-14-1815**

TO BE SOLD

THAT noted STAND, exceeded by none for Trade or a Tavern or both, situated in Epsom, between Portsmouth and Concord, on the New Hampshire Turnpike. Said Store and House is finished in the best manner, and exceeded by none for convenience and pleasantness of situation. With it is a good Barn, Shed and an excellent well of never failing water. The land is of the best quality, and implanted with fruit trees. Immediate possession will be given. For further particulars, inquire of the subscriber on the premises.

MARK FRENCH

Epsom, Nov. 2, 1815

[similar ad printed 2-20-1816]

**NH Patriot 12-3-1815**

ONE CENT REWARD !

RAN away from the subscriber an indentured apprentice boy, by the name of SAMUEL PRESCOTT. This to forbid all persons harboring or trusting him on my account, as I will pay no debts of his contracting after this date.

JONATHAN BROWN

Epsom, Nov. 19, 1815

**NH Patriot 2-6-1816**

One cent reward - no charges paid.

RAN away from the subscriber on the 14th instant indented apprentice boy sixteen years of age, by the name of JOHN MOSES, and this is to forbid all persons harboring or trusting him on my account, as I will not pay debts of his contracting after this date.

DAVID SHERBURNE

Epsom, Jan. 24, 1816

**NH Patriot 11-12-1816**

NOTICE All persons having demands against the estate of SAMUEL LOCKE, late of Epsom, in the county of Rockingham, deceased, are requested to exhibit the same for settlement; and those indebted to said estate, are desired to make immediate payment to

DANIEL LOCKE, Executor.

Epsom, October 29, 1816

**Albany Daily Advertiser 11-13-1816****A NOTORIOUS IMPOSTER AND THIEF CAUGHT**

A man whose name appears to be MARK FRENCH, from various papers found in his possession, came to this city sometime about the 20th of September last, and feigning distress, obtained a written license from the Mayor to ask of the citizens charity, and actually received from sundry persons sums of money. He stated that he belonged to the county of Rockingham, New Hampshire, that he had been sick, and wished to obtain means to get home to his family. But instead of going home, he continued to loiter about this city, and on the 2d of October, he exposed for sale at the auction store of Messrs. Clarke and Moore some articles of goods and clothing, and then embarked on board the Steam Boat for New York. On the 18th instant he returned to this city in the Steam Boat Paragon from New York, and put up at the Columbian Hotel, kept by Mr. Fobes, where he continued until Thursday last. He stated to Mr. Fobes, that he belonged to Montreal; that he was poor and almost destitute of money. On Tuesday morning, however, he was about to take the stage for Whitehall, when all of a sudden he discovered that his trunk had been broken open and his pocket book stolen, with all his money, which he had counted over but half an hour before and locked up safely in his trunk. A stranger having lodged in the house, suspicion fell upon him, and immediate pursuit was made, but without effect. Mr. Fobes then went with the above named French, to the Police Office

where he made oath to the robbery, and gave the Police a description of his pocket book and papers, stating that there was between 15 and 18 dollars in the pocket book, and among the bills stolen was one five dollar bill on the Middle District Bank. - He appeared much agitated and wept freely.

The villain had now another opportunity to impose upon the citizens. He told the story of his misfortunes, and again obtained money from different persons - five dollars from the Humane Society and two from the Board of Magistrates. But notwithstanding his most artful manner to conceal his real character, Mr. Fobes began to entertain suspicions that he was an imposter and rogue, and accordingly took measures to ascertain the fact. French went about begging during the day, and at night he was discovered in houses of ill-fame, gambling away his charity. In this manner he continued until Friday last, when Mr. Fobes, being perfectly satisfied with his character, examined his baggage, which discovered his suspicions to be well founded. The articles described below were found. Mr. Fobes then instantly seized him by the collar and led him to the Police Office, where he was searched, and the identical pocket book, containing the sum which he had sworn was stolen, and amongst the money, the five dollar Middle District bill, was found upon him. He was examined and committed to prison. From the manner in which the goods were found stowed away, he probably had stolen them from various persons, and at various times, as the articles, which were rolled with old clothes, and shoes, &c. were found in many small bundles. They have no doubt been stolen in New York and Albany, and on board the Steam Boats. He had also on board a large assortment of clothing which he had unquestionably plundered. Mr. Fobes has already discovered an owner for two of the articles which were taken from the Steam Boat paragon, and a woman of this city has appeared and claimed two of the most valuable shawls.

Mark French appears to be about 50 years of age, stout made, sandy complexion, and about five feet nine or ten inches high.

The frequent instances in which villains of this sort commit depredations upon the community, and especially such a flagrant case as this, ought to put all people, and especially the charitable and benevolent upon their guards; for as has happened here, their bounty is not only thrown away, but it proves the means of enabling them to commit more extensive frauds and robberies upon the public.

INVENTORY of the goods found in Mark French's Trunk, taken in presence of Richard S. Treat, Philander Fobes, and Alonzo B. Bigelow, in Albany, 25th October, 1816.

Two flag silk handkerchiefs - 1 silk and cotton shawl; 2 7-4 imitation shawls; 2 8-4 olive Levantine do; 1 do bisck do; 1 do red cotton twilled; 1 do light blue Cassimere do, soiled; 3 scarlet Bandanoes; 2 cotton flag handkerchiefs; 6 red



spotted cravats; 4 pair beaver gloves; 1 do cotton do; 1 do women's black silk hose; 3 lbs. Col'd sewing silk, marks off; 2 dozen apron tapes, No. 25; half dozen tobacco boxes, japanned and flowered; 1 6-4 white cotton shawl; 11 4-4 buff do do; 11-2 yards lilack Canton crape; 1 piece Brussels cotton lace, No. 1723, 36 yards; 3-4 yard of black Lutestring; 1 vest pattern; 9 ladies combs; 1 pair mix'd worsted hose; 1 do black do do; 1 do mix'd do 1-2do; 2 pieces Nankeen Cotton ferrit; 9 Madrass handkerchiefs; 3 pair calf skin shoes; 1 case razors, containing 6 marked 1,2,3,4,5,6, with Ivory handles - case mahogany, with brass butts, hooks and eyes, a brass plate on the top marked 15 dollars with pen and ink; 1 pair socks; 2 napkins.

Articles which appear to be partly worn.

3 shirts; 3 cravats, one marked 1.B.; 1 7-4 imitation shawl; 7 pair woolen, worsted and cotton hose; 4 do, do; 7 vests, one a blue superfine double mill'd cassimere, lined with white flannel, with a black ratinet back; 4 pr. Pantaloon; 1 morning gown; 6 hdkfs, very much worn; 1 pair black gaiters; 3 do. Shoes, some worn; 1 pair mittens; 1 cork screw; 1 pillow case; 1 towel; 1 white damask shawl; 1 green do. Do.

### **Newburyport Herald 11-15-1816 ITEM**

Mark French, of Epsom, in N.H. has been apprehended in Albany for Robbery. A large quantity of plunder was found in his possession.

### **NH Patriot 1-13-1818**

NOTICE is hereby given, that the subscriber intends to exhibit her accounts of administration on the estate of ROBERT GOODHUE, late of Epsom, deceased, at the Probate Court to be holden at Epsom on the third Wednesday of January next, for approbation and allowance. MIRIAM GOODHUE, Administratrix.  
Deerfield, Dec. 27, 1817

### **NH Patriot 6-2-1818**

WHEREAS Abigail, my wife, conducts very imprudently and unbecoming a wife: I hereby forbid all persons harboring or trusting her on my account, as I shall pay no debt of her contracting after this date.

SAMUEL DAVIS

Epsom, May 15, 1818

### **NH Patriot 7-21-1818**

ALL persons are hereby cautioned against harboring or trusting JUDITH KENISTON, a person who has for sometime past, with her child, been supported by the town of Epsom, and having lately eloped, the town therefore determine to pay no bills or debts for the support of the said Judith or child after this date.

T.D. MERRILL, SAM'L MORRIL, Selectmen of Epsom.

**NH Patriot 8-18-1818**

NOTICE is hereby given, that the subscriber intends exhibiting her account of Administration of the Estate of JONATHAN LOCKE, late of Epsom, deceased, to the Probate Court to be holden at Epsom, on the third Wednesday of September next, for examination and allowance.

ALLICE LOCKE, Administratrix  
Epsom, Aug. 4, 1818

**NH Patriot 12-29-1818**

NOTICE. All persons having demands against the estate of LEVI BROWN, late of Epsom, deceased, are requested to exhibit them and those indebted to make immediate payment to

LEVI BROWN, jun. Executor  
Epsom, Dec. 9, 1818

**9-14-1819 SALTER's BARN**

A barn in Epsom, the property of a Mr. Salter, was burnt by lightning on Wednesday evening last. The building was large and nearly new, and besides about 40 tons of hay, contained grain and many of the materials prepared for erecting a new house.

**2-7-1820**

Col Samuel Osgood's Estate.

NOTICE is hereby given, that the subscriber has been duly appointed Executrix to the las Will and Testament of

COL. SAMUEL OSGOOD

late of Epsom, in the county of Rockingham, deceased, and has undertaken that trust, by giving bonds as the law directs. All persons having demands against the Estate of said deceased, are requested to exhibit them for adjustment; and all indebted to said Estate, are requested to make immediate payment, to

THOMAS D. MERRILL

Agent for Elizabeth Osgood, Executrix.  
Epsom, Feb. 7, 1820

**NH Patriot 3-28-1820**

BENJAMIN MOODY's Estate.

NOTICE is hereby given that the subscriber has been duly appointed administrator on the estate of BENJAMIN MOODY, Esq. late of Epsom, in the county of Rockingham, deceased. All persons having demands against said estate are requested to exhibit them for adjustment; and all indebted are desired to make immediate payment to  
THOS D. MWEEILL, Adm'r.  
Epsom, March 23, 1820

**NH Patriot 5-9-1820**

FOR SALE

A SITUATION in Epsom, 1-4th of a mile west of the meetinghouse, on the main road from Portsmouth to Concord-consisting of four acres of land of good quality, and under good improvement, with an excellent water privilege for any kind of Mill machinery - a small dwelling house of three rooms, blacksmith's shop, one forge - a small barn.

Terms low and payment made easy. For further particulars enquire of  
THOMAS D. MERRILL, or of REUBEN SANBORN, on the premises.  
Epsom, April 27, 1820

**NH Patriot 6-6-1820**

ALL persons are forbid harboring or supporting DANIEL GRANT, a pauper supported by the town of Epsom, on account of said town or on my account, as I have contracted with the selectmen for his support and have made ample provision therefore.

MATTHIAS HAYNES  
Epsom, May 23, 1820

**NH Patriot 2-12-1821**

NOTICE. - The subscribers having been appointed by the honorable Daniel Gookin, Judge of Probate for the county of Rockingham, commissioners to receive, examine and adjust all the claims of the creditors to the estate of WILLIAM H. DICKEY, late of Epsom, deceased, represented insolvent under

the administration of Thomas D. Merrill -give notice that we will attend at the house of Simon A. Heath, in said Epsom, to receive said claims, on the first Mondays of April, May, June and July, from 2 to 6 o'clock, P.M. at which times the creditors will bring forward and support their claims.

JOSIAH SANBORN

JOSIAH CROSBY

Epsom, Jan. 24, 1821

### **NH Patriot 12-1-1823**

ROCKINGHAM, SS.

By the Hon. DANIEL GOOKIN, Judge of Probate for said County.

To the heirs and creditors to the estate of JONATHAN GREEN, late of Epsom, gentleman, deceased, and all interested in said estate.

GREETING.

YOU are hereby notified, that the report of the Commissioner on said estate is presented to the Probate Court for said county for acceptance; that the same will be taken into consideration at said Court to be holden at Exeter, in said county on the Thursday following the second Tuesday in January next, at 10 o'clock, A.M. and at the same time the Administratrix will present her account of administering said estate, for examination and allowance.

By order of the Judge,

JOHN J. PARKER, Reg. Probate.

Nov. 13, 1823

### **NH Patriot 1-12-1824**

FARM at Auction !

WILL be sold at public vendue, unless previously disposed of at private sale, on Thursday the 12th of February next, at ten o'clock, A.M. on the premises, 60 acres of excellent land, situated in Epsom, on the road leading from the turnpike to Pembroke, and near the centre of the town; suitably proportioned into mowing, pasture, tillage, orchard, and woodland, together with one half a good two story house, half a barn 52 by 30, one fifty foot shed, and a convenient joiner's shop. At the same time and place will be sold three good cows, six sheep, one pair good iron bound wheels, and sundry other farming tools. Conditions of sale liberal, and made known at the time and place of sale.

JAMES MARDEN

Epsom, Jan. 8, 1824.

### **NH Patriot 2-9-1824**

Mills, &c. at Auction

To be sold at Auction on Tuesday the 2d day of March next on the premises, at one o'clock, P.M. a GRIST MILL with two runs of Stones, situated in Epsom, on Suncook River at the short falls, so called, being a never failing stream of water. Also a small House and Barn with three acres of good Land near said Mill. The buildings and mill have been recently erected, and are in good repair. A liberal credit will be given for a part of the payment.

BENJAMIN ROBINSON

Epsom, Feb. 2, 1824.

### **Portsmouth Journal of Literature & Politics 3-13-1824**

State of New Hampshire - Rockingham ss.

To the Honorable Daniel Gookin, Judge of Probate for said county,  
Represents William Amazeen, Executor of the last will and testament of  
CHRISTOPHER AMAZEEN, late of New Castle in said county, deceased -  
that the said deceased in his life time entered into al written contract with one  
Jeremiah Burnham, to convey to him a certain tract of land in Epsom in the  
county of Merrimac, formerly in said county of Rockingham, viz. the northerly  
half of a lot of land which formerly belonged to Joseph and Christopher  
Amazeen, and is a part of the lot on which the said Burnham now lives - that  
the said Jeremiah Burnham stands ready to perform his part of the said contract,  
but the said Christopher Amazeen is prevented by death - Your Petitioner  
therefore prays your Honor that he may be empowered to convey the said  
property agreeably to said contract, and be as bound, &c. Jan. 13, 1824.

WILLIAM AMAZEEN

Rockingham ss. - Probate Court at Portsmouth in said county, Jan. 13, 1824.

Upon the foregoing petition Ordered that the same be taken into consideration  
at said court to be holden at said Portsmouth on the second Tuesday in May  
next, at 10 o'clock A.M. - and that the petitioner notify all persons interested in  
said estate to appear at said court, to show cause, if any, why the petition may  
not be granted, by causing an attested copy of said petition and this order to be  
published in the Portsmouth Journal three weeks successively, the last  
publication to be thirty days before said court.

By order of the Judge.

John J. Parker, Reg. Probate.

### **NH Patriot 6-21-1824**

State of New Hampshire

Merrimack, ss.

The JUDGE OF PROBATE for the County of Merrimack

To SAMUEL LORD, as he is Executor of the last Will of MICHAEL M'CLARY, late of Epsom, in said County, deceased, testate, to the Heirs, and all concerned in the estate.

GREETING.

THE said Executor is hereby cited to appear at the Court of Probate to be holden at Concord, in said County, on the second Wednesday of July next, to render his first Account of the Administration of said Estate; and the said Heirs, and others concerned, are also cited to appear at said Court, that they may be heard on the said Account.

And it is ordered, that the said Executor serve the above Citation, by causing it to be published three weeks successively in the N.H. Patriot and State Gazette, printed at Concord, the last publication whereof to be at least one week before said Court, and return the same with his doings to the Court aforesaid.

Given at Concord, in said county, the nineteenth day of June A.D. 1824.

SAMUEL MORRIL, Judge of Probate.

### **8-24-1824 JOSEPH BROWN BARN**

Lightning. A barn filled with hay &c. in Epsom, belonging to Mr. Joseph Brown, struck by lightning, was burnt on Monday last. The same day a new barn belonging to Maj. Wm. Weeks of Hopkinton, and partly filled with hay and grain, was burnt.

### **NH Patriot 2-28-1825**

COPARTNERSHIP FORMED

THE subscribers have commenced the Paper manufacturing Business at Epsom Short Falls, N.H. under the firm of PARK & KENNESON, where they will pay CASH for unsorted RAGS; and for those of a good quality they will pay the highest price.

RICHARD PARK

NEHEMIAH KINNESON

Epsom, N.H. Feb. 9, 1825.

### **NH Patriot 3-28-1825**

THE subscriber, having been duly appointed Executor to the last Will and Testament of Sally Dolbeer, late of Epsom in the county of Merrimack, widow, deceased, requests all persons indebted to said estate, to make payment - and all who have demands, to present them for adjustment.

THOMAS D. MERRILL

Epsom, March 14, 1825

### **NH Patriot 5-23-1825**

#### **YOUNG BULLROCK**

WILL stand the ensuing season for the use of mares at the following places, will commence on Saturday may 14, at Joel P. Tibbet's tavern in South-Deerfield, and will be there on all the Saturdays through the present season. Also will be at Col. Daniel Cilley's tavern in Epsom, on Monday, May 16, and will continue to be there on all the Mondays through the season, and the rest of the time at the subscribers in Epsom.-

Said horse is fifteen hands high, four years old and of a dark bay color, and is said to be one of the finest horses that ever was raised in the County; and has all the good qualities of the old noted Bullrock that was owned by Benjamin Thompson. Any person that wishes to examine said horse, may have an opportunity by calling at the above names places.

Terms. \$150 the leap, 250 the season and to warrant as parties can agree.

MATTHIAS HAYNES

Epsom, April 12, 1825

### **5-24-1825**

#### **A FREE ROAD FROM CONCORD TO PORTSMOUTH**

It may not perhaps be generally known in the interior of this State and the northerly part of Vermont, that a purchase has been made of the New Hampshire Turnpike Road, leading from Concord through Northwood, Epsom and Durham to Piscatqua Bridge, in order to afford a greater facility and encouragement to those, who may be disposed to convey their produce to the Portsmouth market. The original cost of this road was \$55,799. The expenditures upon it to January 1817, were \$12,993. The expenditures since that time have been estimated at about \$1200 per annum - making the sum total of original cost and expenditures \$78, 392.

This is now a FREE ROAD. It is well made. Its course is as direct as possible, avoiding the mountainous ridges. The distance on this road from Concord Bridge to Portsmouth is 43 miles, and may be traveled in about half a day.

### **NH Patriot 11-28-1825**

NOTICE is hereby given, that the subscriber has been duly appointed administrator, with the Will annexed, on the estate of SIMEON CHAPMAN,

Late of Epsom, in the county of Merrimack, deceased. All persons having demands against the estate of said deceased are requested to exhibit them for settlement, and all indebted are requested to make payment.

THOMAS D. MERRILL, Adm'r.

Epsom, Nov. 25, 1825

### **NH Patriot 12-5-1825**

State of New Hampshire, Merrimack, ss. - The Judge of Probate for the county of Merrimack, to ELEANOR BROWN, as she is Executrix of the last will of ENOCH BROWN, Jr. late of Epsom, in said county, deceased, testate, to the heirs, and all concerned in the estate.

GREETING.

THE said executrix is hereby cited to appear at the court of probate, to be holden at Concord in said county, on the third Tuesday of January next, to render an account of the administration of said estate; and the said heirs, and others concerned, are also cited to appear at said court, that they may be heard on the said account.

Given at Concord, in said county, the first day of December, A.D. 1825.

SAMUEL MORRIL, Judge of Probate.

### **12-31-1825 JOSIAH SANBORN BARN**

At Epsom, about 12 o'clock, on the night preceding Monday the 19th instant, the barn belonging to Josiah Sanborn, Esq. together with its contents, thirty tons of hay, 20 head cattle, including a yoke of large fat oxen, a horse, and various other articles, was consumed by fire. By the timely exertions of the neighbors, the house, which was united to the barn by a shed, was preserved. The residence of Esq. Sanborn is upon the side of McCoy mountain, and the flames of the burning building presented a sublime and awful appearance. From the time of night at which the fire took, it is supposed to have been the work of an incendiary. Loss about \$1000; no insurance.

### **NH Patriot 5-15-1826**

WHEREAS MARTHA my wife has left my bed & board and separated herself from me ever since June the twenty-seventh day 1822, declaring her fixed



determination never more to return or live with me; and since that time has continued to live separate from me in such manner as best suited her views; often repeating her determination not to return to me or perform any of the duties of a wife; but as we are commanded to render good for evil, for that reason I offered to give her a lease of a complete well finished dwelling house, delightfully situated on a small farm, about one quarter of a mile from my homestead farm during her natural life; also to deliver her two children into her care, and in addition to that I offered to maintain her and the children, and provide everything necessary for their comfort in sickness and in health. But she has such an ungoverned tempter and disposition, that she utterly refuses to comply with said offer; but chooses rather to stroll about from place to place and live in gross and lewd manner, inconsistent with and repugnant to her marriage vows; it is said in the Scripture at the mouth of two or three witnesses the matter shall be established; and at the mouths of three respectable eye witnesses, I have a full, sufficient reason to believe that she the said Martha has been guilty of the crime of adultery. Therefore I do hereby forbid all person harboring or trusting her on my account, for I am determined not to pay any debts of her contracting from the above mentioned time she left my house up to this date, and from this date to the end of time.

JOSEPH LAURENCE

Epsom, May 8, 1826

**7-22-1826**

### **Article**

Grasshoppers. - We are informed by a gentleman of undoubted veracity, who saw the spoil, that Friend Arnold Thompson, of Epsom, on Saturday evening last, caught in his and his neighbors' grain fields, between the hours of eight and twelve o'clock, five bushels and three pecks of grasshoppers ! His mode of catching them was by attaching two sheets together, and fastening them to a pole, which was used as the front part of the drag. The pole extended beyond the width of the sheets so as to admit persons at both sides to draw it forward. At the sides of the drag, braces extended from the pole so as to raise the back part of the sheet considerably from the ground, so that the grasshoppers could not escape. After running the drag about a dozen rods with rapidity, the braces were taken out and the sheet doubled over, the grasshoppers were then swept from each end towards the center of the sheer, where was left an opening to the mouth of a bag which held about half a bushel; when deposited and tied up, the drag was again opened and ready to proceed. When this bag was filled so as to become burthensome, (their weight is about the same as that of the same measure of corn,) the bag was opened into a larger one and the grasshoppers

received into a new deposit. The drag can be used only in the evening, when the grasshoppers are perched on the top of the grain. His manner of destroying them was by dipping the large bags into a kettle of boiling water. When boiled they had a reddish appearance, and made a fine feast for the farmer's hogs.

### **NH Patriot 8-2-1826**

#### **FARM FOR SALE.**

A FARM situated in Epsom, county of Merrimack and State of New Hampshire, containing about one hundred and fifty acres of land of an excellent quality suitably divided into mowing, tillage, pasturing and wood, together with the buildings thereon, which are a house, thirty-nine by thirty-one, two stories, and mostly finished; a barn one hundred feet by thirty-two, well finished; two sheds adjoining the barn, together with a woodhouse, blacksmith shop and cider mill, all in good repair. Said Farm is watered by a brook of never failing water running through the same, together with two wells, contiguous to the buildings, which never fail - with an orchard which will average fifty barrels of cider yearly.

-ALSO-

Another Farm situated in said Epsom, adjoining the above, lying and being on the easterly side of Suncook river and adjoining the same, of a superior quality, suitably divided into mowing, tillage, pasturing and woodland, containing about sixty acres. Lying on the main road leading from Epsom to Pembroke, together with the buildings thereon, which are a convenient dwelling-house, new and mostly finished, together with a woodhouse adjoining the same, a barn forty-one feet by thirty-eight, well finished, and a good well of never failing water. All of which will be disposed of at a reasonable price. Payment made easy with food security. Any person wishing to view said premises can have an opportunity by applying to the subscriber, living on the same.

**BICKFORD LANG**

Epsom, Aug. 17, 1826

### **NH Patriot 8-14-1826**

NOTICE is hereby given that the subscriber having taken SALLY BARTON, a town pauper, by contract with the selectmen of Epsom, and has made suitable provision for her support; this is to forbid all persons from harboring or trusting her on my account, or on account of said town, as no debts of her contracting will be paid after this date.

**DANIEL PHILBRICK, jr.**

Epsom, June 13, 1826

**1-27-1827**

To the Honorable John Harvey, Judge of Probate of Wills, &c. for the County of Rockingham, and State of New Hampshire.

HUMBLY shews John Cate, of Epsom, in the County of Merrimack and State aforesaid, that he is guardian of Olive Wood of said Epsom, widow, and an insane person, by the appointment of the Judge of Probate for the County of Rockingham - that said Olive is seized of the following described real estate, to wit: a certain tract of land with the buildings thereon, situate in Epsom aforesaid, near Parson's Mill, so called, and bounded as follows - northerly and westerly by Benjamin Towle's land and Chichester line, northerly and easterly by land formerly owned by Sherburne, supposed to contains about seventy-five acres - and that it would be conducive to the interest of her the said Olive to sell the property aforesaid. Wherefore your petitioner prays that he may have liberty to sell and convey the said estate in such manner as shall be most beneficial to said Olive, and your petitioner shall ever pray.

JOHN CATE, Guardian

Jan. 27, 1827

**NH Patriot 4-9-1827**

NOTICE. Be it known, that, by virtue of an act of the Legislature of the State of New Hampshire, passed July 1st, 1819, we, Levi Locke, Abel Brown, B L Locke, Samuel W. Bickford, Daniel Cilley, Bradbury Cilley, Samuel Whitney, and others, our associates, do hereby give notice that we have formed ourselves into a Society known by the name of the Universalist Society in Epsom.

B.L. Locke, Clerk

Epsom, March 27, 1827

**NH Patriot 4-16-1827**

Merrimack ss

AGREEABLE to an act passed in this State June Session, 1819, notice is hereby given that A.W. Marden, John Sherburne, James Wiggins, jr. and Asahel Allen and their associates, have formed themselves into a religious Society by the name and style of the First Union Methodist Society in Epsom, and have caused the same to be recorded in our Book of records.

A true copy - Attest

Sam'l B. Cilley, Clerk

Epsom, April 10, 1827

**NH Patriot 4-20-1829**

#### ADMINISTRATOR'S NOTICE.

NOTICE is hereby given that the subscriber has been duly appointed Administrator of the estate of JONATHAN YEATON, late of Epsom, in the county of Merrimack, deceased. All persons having claims against said estate are requested to exhibit them for settlement, and all indebted to said estate, to make immediate payment.

WILLIAM YEATON, Adm'r.

Epsom, April 13, 1829.

#### **NH Patriot 4-20-1829**

TO be sold in Epsom, N.H. the Farm commonly called the Parsonage Farm, lying opposite the meeting house in said town, containing nearly sixty acres of good land with a house suitable for two families, and in good repair, with a barn and shed thereon. Inquire of JAMES BABB, Esq. Post Master, Epsom, or WILLIAM WEST, Concord.

April 31, 1829.

#### **11-5-1827**

#### **Letter**

Epsom, Oct. 29, 1827

Mr. Hill,

Sir - Sometime during this month, there came a man to this town, and urged me to subscribe for a newspaper called the New Hampshire Journal, printed at Concord. He declared it to be a true republican paper. I have ever considered myself to be a republican of the old school, and place a high value on the rights and privileges secured to us. I rendered my feeble aid in support of those rights and privileges by shouldering my musket in the war of the revolution. Having received two or three numbers of the Journal, I am disgusted with it, and am free to confess I was enormously deceived by the lines of the agent who induced me to consent to take the paper. I consider it a miserable Clay-cold federal paper, and will not receive it any longer, and wish to become a subscriber for the N.H. Patriot. Yours, &c.

PERKINS PHILBRICK

#### **1-27-1828**

#### **Article**

At a meeting of the Democratic Republicans of the town of Epsom, assembled at the inn of Lieut. Abel Brown, on Tuesday Jan. 1, 1828, pursuant to notice. Col. DANIEL CILLEY was called to the chair, and WILLIAM HAM, Jr. was chosen Secretary; when the following preamble and resolutions were introduced and unanimously passed.

At a time like this, we view the UNION of the Republican part all important to the interest of this State and of the United States, and that the Republicans should be vigilant and active in the common cause, the county's best good - that they should be UNITED formidably to oppose every measure tending to involve our dear bought rights and privileges in Amiocarcy.

Therefore Resolved, That we highly approve the Resolutions of our spirited and patriotic brethren of DEERFIELD passed at a recent meeting and published in the New Hampshire Patriot, and will most cordially UNITE with them and others of the like patriotism in using our utmost endeavors to carry the same into effect, and of adhering to the principles therein contained.

Resolved, That the Secretary cause the foregoing preamble and resolutions to be published in the New Hampshire Patriot and State Gazette.

### **3-24-1828**

#### **EPSOM ANNUAL MEETING**

Republican Ticket Federal Ticket

MODERATOR

Hanover Dickey

TOWN CLERK

B.L. Locke, 134 James Babb, 116

REPRESENTATIVE

William Ham Jr, 155 Thomas D. Merrill, 83

SELECTMEN

Winthrop Fowler, 134 Thomas D. Merrill, 78

Eliphalet Wiggin, 147 Thomas D. Merrill, 29

William Ham, jr. 87 John Cate, 31

William Tarleton, 118

### **5-31-1828**

#### **Article**

DEAF AND DUMB - The Governor and Council have made the following distributions of the \$1200 appropriated by the Legislature for the education of indigent and dumb children of this State, at the Hartford Asylum, viz:

John G. French, Epsom - \$115

We understand there were several indigent and highly deserving applicants, whose claims the limited appropriation of the Legislature did not enable the Executive to answer. - N.H. Journal.

## **NH Patriot 7-28-1828**

### **Fourth of July at Epsom.**

The fine Light Infantry company, commanded by Capt. Samuel Wells, met at the inn of Wm. Yeaton, jr. where a respectable number of the democratic republicans assembled, and the following sentiments were delivered accompanied by the discharge of musketry. Col. Daniel Cilley presided, and William Ham, jr. was Toastmaster.

The day we celebrate. While it awakens gratitude in the hearts of freeman, it speaks terror to the traitor and tyrant.

The heroes of the revolution. Their names breathe a sweet perfume.

Lafayette. Though seas divide us, the heart of every American throbs with gratitude at the recollection of his virtue.

These United States. Notwithstanding the vile courses pursued by aspiring demagogues, may they flourish to the latest posterity, under the same pure republican principles, so strictly observed by their venerable father - the immortal Washington.

Hon. Benjamin Pierce. The inflexible republican - all the allurements of men in power, or the prospects of emolument of office, have never turned him from the straight line of duty.

Hon. Levi Woodbury and Hon. Jonathan Harvey. Bright constellations in the political horizon.

The Democratic Republicans.

"Firm, united let us be,

Rallying round old Hickory.

As a band of brothers join'd."

Clay and Adams foes shall find.

John Q. Adams. Educated in the political school of his father, feigned a change of politics, and made pretensions of attachment to the republican party, for no other purpose but to destroy the effects of democratic policy. Eighteen hundred twenty-nine will, we trust, give him leisure to reflect on his many transgressions.

Isaac Hill - Who has so eloquently reminded us not to withhold the homage of grateful hearts from the sages and heroes of the revolution O his services demand our gratitude and affection.

Gen. Andrew Jackson. A republican in principles, in feelings and manners;

"Like the Eagle will soar on high,

Above the sphere where Vultures fly"

Amalgamation and Coalition. May they sink, with John the second to rise no more.

Epsom Light Infantry. Descendants of the hardy yeomanry; should their services be required, they would neither prove Arnolds or Hills.

The Fair. May the never yield their hearts to those who are unwilling to defend them from the battle cry of "beauty and booty."

*VOLUNTEERS.*

By Mr. S. Whitney. Hon. Samuel Bell. For the false information he gave last March may he drive a hearse loaded with the six coffin handbills.

By Capt. B.L. Locke. Death to a federal Administration - annihilation to amalgamation - and prosperity to our nation.

By Mr. S. Lear. Richard Bartlett, present Secretary of State; the political weather cock. May he feel the influence of the word of the royal psalmist applied to Judas Iscariot - "let his days be few, and his office let another take."

By Mr. Perkins Philbrick, jr. Gov. Bell - a traitor to the federal party: a deceiver of the republican part; may he, and those who raised him to office, be considered as mean as the Hillsborough Bills; and may the republicans of New Hampshire, at the next election, Pierce him to the heart.

By Mr. William Yeaton, jr. America. Her good blooded sons will have reason to rejoice, when the present ruler of our nation, or otherwise the United States' pauper, shall leave to retire, and Andrew Jackson be placed in the chair of State.

By a citizen. Ichabod Bartlett - The little Bullfrog of New Hampshire: may he never beget another brood of twaddlers.

By Capt. B.L. Locke. William Pickering, who has lost his office by being a man of integrity: may he be chosen to the office of an Elector.

By R. Knox, Esq. Gov. Pierce. He carries with him into his present retirement the proud consciousnesses of unsullied integrity.

By Mr. S. Whitney. The pitch pine Judge: as fit for a Senator as Judas was for a disciple.

By Benvoli Sandborn. John Q. Adams; the present idol of the federal party, a traitor to the republicans: who robbed the public treasury to secure an office for himself; may his double salaries, double outfits, billiard tables and Indian portraits, be long remembered by the democratic republicans: may his agents, paid out of the treasury, who circulated the coffin handbills and other infamous lines to defame the character of Gen. Andrew Jackson, have place in history, and be read by our children, and children's children to the last generation.

By William Ham, jr. New Hampshire. May the twenty thousand republican sons, who recently distinguished themselves, like Leonidas, maintain their integrity, or perish in the last ditch.

By a citizen. Thomas Whipple, jr. A political Juda, who sold his birth right for a mess of pottage.

By a citizen. The Toastmaster. Though modest and unassuming, fears not the threats of aspiring demagogues.

By Perkins Philbrick, jr. The President of the day - son of the late Gen. Joseph Cilley, the only remaining one who has never been swerved by the prospects of office, and who has remained true to the pure republican principles, so strictly adhered to by his venerable father.

**12-1-1828**

**Letters - Conduct of one of Moore's Deputy Sheriffs !**

I Alexander S. Lear depose and say that on or about the 31st day of October last, Capt. Dearborn Lord of Epsom came to my house in Allenstown, and told me that I was owing said Lord ten shillings; and after some conversation said Lord asking me what Electoral ticket I should carry, informed him that I always had and still should carry the Republican ticket. He, the said Lord, then said If I carried the Republican ticket, it would be that for the Adams electors, for the that supported Mr. Adams were republicans, and they that supported Jackson were federalists. I then told said Lord that I did not so understand it, for I considered the supports of Jackson to be principally republicans, and the supporters of Adams principally to be federalists. He the said Lord then offered me, if I would carry the Adams ticket, so called, he would give me out of his said demand against me fifty cents. And the said Lord afterwards at the same place said to me, if I would carry said Adams ticket as aforesaid, he would take of me one dollar instead of ten shillings; to which I replied I would think of it. Further saith not.

ALEXANDER SALTER LEAR

Nov. 17. 1828

Merrimack, ss, Pembroke, Nov. 17, 1828.

Then the above named Alexander S. Lear personally appeared, and after being duly cautioned and carefully examined, made solemn oath that the above affidavit by him subscribed is just and true, before me,

SAMUEL COCHRAN, jun. Jus. Peace

MR. JETHRO PETTINGILL, informs that "on the 3d of November, 1828, EDWARD D. LORD of Epsom in the meetinghouse of the town aforesaid, asked me for whom I was calculating to vote. I told him I was going to vote for Jackson, i.e. for Jackson Electors. He, the said Edward D. Lord, then said if I did my pension would be stopped and I should have to go to jail."



## **NH Patriot 1-19-1829**

### **Celebration at Epsom of the 8th January**

In commemoration of the political events of this highly favoured country, and more particularly of the signal services of the Conqueror at New Orleans, and the late complete triumph of Democratic Principles in electing Gen. Andrew Jackson to the highest office in the gift of a free and enlightened people; the republicans of Epsom, joined by citizens from other towns, determined to express their joy and gratitude by celebrating the eighth inst.

Accordingly an elegant Ensign of Liberty was previously erected by Robert Knox, Esq. and other spirited democratic citizens, and suitable preparations made for the exercises of the day. A committee of arrangements was chosen, consisting of twenty, who appointed Hanover Dickey, Esq. President; Col. Daniel Cilley, Richard Tripp, John Nealley, and Capt. Lewis Flanders, Vice Presidents; Gen. James Blake, Chief Marshal, Robert Knox Esq. and Benvoli Sanborn, Deputy Marshals; Daniel P. Cilley and David Dickey jr. Toastmasters.

The procession formed at 11 o'clock, A.M. near the Inn of Jeremiah Prescott, and proceeded to the meetinghouse under an escort of musick commanded by Maj. Josphe Eastman; where the exercises were, singing appropriate pieces accompanied by instrumental music, prayers and benediction by the Chaplain, Elder Samuel B. Dyer, which in our opinion, would not have dishonored the most profound Ecclesiastic. They appeared as flowing from a mind which strengthens with increasing weight, rises and expands in proportion to the magnitude and importance of the occasion; and which appreciates our national blessings according to their true value. And an elaborate, spirited and patriotic address by Moses Norris, Esq. which is expected to be published, and will then speak for itself.

Having returned, over one hundred partook of a sumptuous collation served up by Mr. Jeremiah Prescott.

After the cloth was removed, the following sentiments were given, accompanied by excellent music, hearty cheers, and the discharge of artillery.

#### **REGULAR TOASTS**

1. The day we celebrate. One of the most important ever recorded in the annals of history, and which saved New Orleans from the British grasp.
2. May an unquenchable love of Liberty be kindled in each and every one, who beholds the ensign we have erected, and in all who have heard of the 4th of July 1776, or the day we celebrate.
3. America. Freedom's birth place, where man first gained his true Liberty and

Independence.

4. Gen. Andrew Jackson, the President elect, the brightest ornament of America, through him we trust the nation will be saved.
5. The Union of the States. As the "giant oak grows in the sun, and strengthens in the storm," so may it only be strengthened by internal tempests and political strifes.
6. Agriculture, Manufactures and Commerce. The three grand sources of national subsistence. May they every draw by even cords.
7. Gen. Pierce. A Statesman, cool and dispassionate: may he at the next election receive the highest gift of a free and enlightened State.
8. Our Hill at the Capital. Too firm and impervious for federalism to climb.
9. Hon. L. Woodbury and Jonathan Harvey. As they have, so may they ever conduct as to meet the approbation of the Republican party.
10. The next Cabinet. May it be composed of materials more substantial than Clay tempered with Rush.
11. The Heroes of the Revolution. May their memories outlive monumental inscriptions.
12. Freeman of N.H. May they no longer be imposed upon by the base deceptions of that lying vehicle, which has been gratuitously and so profusely scattered among us by Jacob B. Moore.
13. The State Legislature. Very modest in spirits: how do they appear with the State's bottle behind the curtain.
14. Democratic republicans of New Hampshire. May they be reminded that the least breach of their Union would be hailed with barbarian joy by an universal warhoop of aristocracy and despotism.
15. John Q. Adams. Not to blame, because his father "loved sour grapes," but because they are pleasant to his taste.
16. Political "reign of terror." "O nunquam qua, nunquam videamus again."
17. "little ichabod bartlett." The fag-end of all parties," a good appellation for twaddlers, it applies well to himself.
18. His excellency John Bell. May he prepare to follow Jonny Q. in an "Irish hoist."
19. Richard Bartlett - The amalgamation puff; full of all deception. Let the reptile be crushed in the egg.
20. Jacob B. Moore. "Hea me miserum," I fear we shall lose our heat in amalgamating parties.
21. The President of the day. Firm amidst the contending elements of parties; a Patriot whose bosom glows with love of country.
22. The Vice Presidents. Firm supporters of true Republicanism.
23. The Orator of the day. May soundances of sentiment and eloquence of speck, combined in youth, be patterned after by all, who are advancing to

manhood, and the active pursuits of life.

24. Party Spirit. May it every where give place to united and vigorous exertions for the public good.

25. Gen. Washington. May succeeding generations continue to be his monument, and their hearts his epitaph.

26. The Clergy. May their humble deportment and pious endeavors teach us obedience to our government and our God.

27. Literature. As it cultivates genius, may it inspire patriotism.

28. Editor of the Statesman and Register. Very boisterous concerning liars and falsehoods. "Clodias accusat Mochos."

29. The Fair. May they be as effectual in promoting the brave sons of Columbia to true patriotism, as their amiable qualities are in commanding their attention and respect.

### *VOLUNTEERS*

By the President of the day. Gen. Andrew Jackson. Conqueror of the Conquerors of Europe, and Hero of the United State. May he enjoy a seat at the national helm with increasing honor, till he shall resign it with perfect pleasure.

By Col. Cilley, V.P. John Quincy Adams and Henry Clay. They would be usurpers of the people's rights. May the combined powers of the people soon send them to St. Helena.

By Richard Tripp, V.P. The Chaplain. He joins us to commemorate "the glorious 8th" from inclination as well as duty.

By Gen. Blake, Chief Marshal. Gen. Benjamin Pierce. A Hero of the Revolution and a statesman of the first stamp. May the next election place him in the chief Executive Chair.

By the Orator of the day. The fourth of March, 1801 and the fourth of March, 1829 - Epochs alike glorious in the annals of Demorcacy.

By Robert Knox, Esq. Deputy Marsal. Hon. Isaac Hill. May his enemies not have power to put him down; nor his friends ever forsake him.

By Benvoli Sanborn, Deputy Marshal. Henry Clay - Now he is about to fall, may he repent of his past conduct; and fall into the hands of the potter and be moulded into a vessel of honor and liberty.

By Daniel P. Cilley. Success to the people of the United States. May they maintain their freedom, even till dissolving nature shall announce that "Time is no longer."

By David Dickey, jr. The token of Freedom here erected, and all others throughout our land. If as durable as the Egyptian Pyramids, may they ever be held by passing people, whose hearts glow with an ardent zeal for national liberty, beaming from reason and knowledge.

By Maj. Joseph Eastman. Amalgamators of New Hampshire - Principally

professional men, composing the second platoon, and now pulling up the rear. To the left backward wheel march; march! Tune - Soldier's Joy.

By Mr. Jeremiah Blake. The late Administration party - Their desperate exertions, and amalgamating qualities; like the metallick strip, have only tended to set the edge of the Democratic Razor so keenly, as to shave the faces of the Coalition so that their haggard and dejected countenances may be recognized at first sight.

By. Dr. Henry B. Brown. Gen. A. Jackson - A true and patriotic statesman, whose name stands conspicuous and immortal on the pages of history. As he ascends the presidential chair, may he be as a cloud by day, and a pillar of fire by night, to guide the people in the path of duty.

By Thomas S. Eastman. The victory at New Orleans. The Republican's salvation, and Federalist's condemnation.

By Winthrop Fowler. The U. States of N. America. The only tolerant and most highly favored Nation in all the earth. May they ever be so humble, peaceable and united, that the wise Disposer of events may continue the same blessings to them, until time shall be no more.

By Reuben Sanborn. J.Q. Adams, Clay & Rush. May they on the 4th of March next retire from office "with their hands on their mouths, and their mouths in the dust," and of themselves "cry unclean" by reason of bargain and corruption.

By Joseph C. Wallace. John Binns and Jacob Binns Moore, and all who have been circulating coffin-handbills and other lying extra sheets - valets to defame the character of Gen. Jackson, and hurt the Republican cause. May they repent in dust and ashes; or like Judas, the traitor, go and hang themselves.

By a Guest. - The Clergy of N.H. None more busy than B. May he be made chief tanner of torie's hides. (This toast has allusion to a fast sermon preached during the last war.)

By Perkins Philbrick, jr.

A fell the old man, so falls his son;

They served four years, and now they are done.

Bargain their promotion - Twaddlers call it fair -

May the deil take Adams, and Jackson take the chair.

By Capt. B.L. Locke. John Q. Adams - His reign will soon be at an end. May Amalgamation, Bargain and Intrigue, with him end, never to rise again.

By William Wallace. Gen. Andrew Jackson. The Hero of New Orleans and next President of the United States. May we ever have such able, wise and patriotic Statesmen at the helm of government, that our lives, Liberty, "beauty and booty," may be protected from all tyranny and oppression.

By a citizen. Hall Burgin - "One of the best of men, one of the best of Judges, and one of the very best Senators" - feels bad enough - let the dead rest. No cheers, &c.

By William Yeaton, jr. The Governor and Council. A noble appointment in Epsom: A Justice of the peace without residence. But, as Jack said, any port in a storm.

By Benson Ham. Jacob B. Moore's Epsom Deputy. May he ever pursue the course he has begun; give the writ and summons to the defendant, clear our, and scream murder.

#### **NH Patriot 2-16-1829**

NOTICE is hereby given, that the subscriber, of Epsom, in the County of Merrimack and State of New Hampshire, was the twentieth day of January, A.D. 1829, duly appointed by the Judge of probate, for said County, Guardian of Heaseltine, Charles, Mary, Susannah G., Jonathan, and James Wm. Yeaton, all Minors and Children of Jonathan Yeaton late of said Epsom, deceased. I hereby forbid all persons harboring, trading with, or trusting any of the above name children, (if they would wish to escape the penalty of the laws,) for I shall pay no debts of their contracting.

JAMES HERSEY

Epsom, Jan. 21st, 1829

#### **NH Patriot 4-20-1829**

ADMINISTRATOR'S NOTICE.

NOTICE is hereby given that the subscriber has been duly appointed Administrator of the estate of JONATHAN YEATON, late of Epsom, in the county of Merrimack, deceased. All persons having claims against said estate are requested to exhibit them for settlement, and all indebted to said estate, to make immediate payment.

WILLIAM YEATON, Adm'r.

Epsom, April 13, 1829.

#### **NH Patriot 4-27-1829**

THE subscriber having contracted with the town of Epsom for the support of Amos Ames, his wife and two children, Mary Lamprey, Elizabeth Wells, and Mary C. Barton, town paupers, and also all others which said town may be liable to support for the term of one year from the 26th day of March last, hereby forbids al persons harboring or trusting them on his account or on account of said town of Epsom, as he has made suitable provision for their support.

JOHN YEATON, jr.

Epsom, April 13, 1829

**NH Patriot 9-28-1829**

ADMINISTRATOR'S NOTICE.

ALL persons having demands against the estate of  
ENOCH BROWN,

Late of Epsom, deceased, are requested to present them for settlement; and all  
indebted to make immediate payment.

WM. YEATON, Jr. Adm'r.

Epsom, Sept. 22, 1829

**NH Patriot 11-30-1829**

NOTICE.

THIS is to forbid all persons from harbouring or trusting Mehitable Grant, a  
town pauper of Epsom, on my account or on account of the town of Epsom, as I  
have made suitable provision for her support.

JOSEPH KNOX

Pembroke, Nov. 13, 1829

**Pittsfield Sun 1-14-1830 EXPLOSION**

One of the buildings attached to the Powder Manufactory of Oliver M.  
Whipple, Esq. in Lowell, exploded on the 5th inst. Some of the shingles were  
found half a mile off. Mr. Robinson, of Epsom, N.H. was the only person in the  
mill, his brother having left it in a few moments. Mr. R. threw himself on his  
face, but was found dreadfully bruised, and both eyes destroyed. His life is  
despaired of.

**NH Patriot 1-25-1830**

NOTICE.

ALL persons are hereby forbid trusting Nancy Wells, now an inhabitant of  
Alexandria, but a town pauper of Epsom, on account of the subscriber or the  
town of Epsom, as I have, agreeably to my contract with the town of Epsom,  
made provision for her support, and shall pay no debts of her contracting.

JOHN YEATON, JR.

Epsom, 21st Jan. 1830

**NH Patriot 4-12-1830**

NOTICE.

RAN away from the subscriber in Epsom on the 2nd inst. John Taylor Gilman Cate, an indented apprentice bound out by the Selectmen of Northwood, thirteen years of age. All persons are hereby forbid harboring, trusting, or employing him, as they would avoid the penalties of the laws. Whoever will return said boy to the subscriber shall receive one cent reward and no charges paid.

WILLIAM KENNISON.

Epsom, April 3, 1830

### **NH Patriot 10-4-1830**

NOTICE.

THE subscriber hereby gives notice, that he has been duly appointed, by the Judge of Probate for the County of Merrimack, administrator on the estate of WILLIAM YEATON Jr. late of Epsom in said county, deceased, and has taken upon himself that trust, by giving bond as the law directs. He therefore requests all persons who are indebted to said estate to make immediate payment - and those, who have any demands against the same, to exhibit them for settlement, October 9th.

JOHN YEATON, Administrator

Epsom, Sept. 23, 1830

### **7-4-1831 JOHN CHESLEY RESIDENCE**

The dwelling house of Mr. John Chesley at Epsom was burnt on Wednesday night last. There is no doubt the fire was set by an incendiary. Fire had twice before, within a short time, been applied to Mr. Chesley's barn, and had gone out, leaving the brands which were intended to enkindle the flames. The house was so much on fire before it was discovered, that only a small portion of furniture in the front part was saved.

### **Portsmouth Journal of Literature & Politics 7-30-1831**

NOTICE, - I hereby forbid all persons harbouring or trusting any person or persons, whatever, on my account, as I am determined not to pay any debt or debts contracted by any one.

A.W. Marden

Epsom, July 29, 1831

### **Farmers Cabinet 8-13-1831**

AN ACT to alter the names of certain persons.

BE it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened, That the several persons herein named shall hereafter be called and known by the names which, by this act, they are respectively allowed to assume, (viz.) William Keniston of Epsom, may take the name of William Johnson, and Jemima H. Keniston of Epsom, may take the name of Jemima H. Johnson; and Samuel W. Keniston of Epsom, may take the name of Samuel W. Johnson; and Elizabeth Ann Keniston of Epsom, may take the name of Elizabeth Ann Johnson; and Joseph H. Keniston of Epsom, may take the name of Joseph H. Johnson; and John S. Keniston of Epsom, may take the name of John S. Johnson; and Robert Trickey of Allenstown may take the name of Robert Appleton, and John Trickey of Allenstown may take the name of John Appleton; and Thomas Trickey of Allenstown may take the name of Thomas Appleton; and Sally Trickey of Allenstown may take the name of Sally Appleton; and Rolinda Tickey of Allenstown may take the name of Rolinda Appleton, and Jane Trickey of Allenstown may take the name of Jane Appleton; and Catherine Tickey of Allenstown may take the name of Catherine Appleton; and Harriet Trickey of Allenstown may take the name of Harriet Appleton; and Robert Trickey Junior of Allenstown may take the name of Robert Appleton; and Samuel Trickey of Pembroke may take the name of Samuel Appleton; and Mary Trickey of Hooksett, may take the name of Mary Appleton, and Edwin Trickey of Chichester, may take the name of Edwin Appleton.

Approved July 2, 1831

### **NH Gazette 1-24-1832**

#### **GUARDIAN'S SALE.**

Land in Portsmouth, Epsom

By virtue of a license from the Court of Probate for the County of Rockingham, will be sold at Public Auction, on WEDNESDAY, the 21st day of March next, at 10 o'clock in the forenoon, at the Auction Room of Samuel Larkin in State-street Portsmouth, the following described pieces or parcels or Real EstateL that is to say,

One piece or parcel of LAND situate in Epsom, in the County of Merrimack, commonly called the Allen Farm and occupied by Amos Prescott, containing about one hundred and twenty acres under improvement, with a good HOUSE and large BARN thereon, and out buildings.

Also, one other tract or parcel of LAND lying in said Epsom, commonly called the Treadwell Lot, being number sixty-three in the second range in the division of said town, adjoining the above mentioned premises, containing about two



hundred and eighty four acres of Wood and Timber Land.

Terms of payment very liberal, and a credit for a considerable portion of the purchase money given with good security.

For Terms and further particulars, apply to JAMES FOSS, Kittery; WILLIAM H. Y. HACKETT, Portsmouth; or to either of the subscribers.

JOSEPH SHERBURNE, JOHN BALL, Guardians.

S. LARKIN, Auct'r

Portsmouth, Jan. 24, 1832

### **NH Patriot 2-13-1832**

PAPER MILL FOR SALE.

If not previously sold at private sale, will be sold at PUBLIC AUCTION, on the premises on Monday, the second day of April, next, at nine of the clock A.M., a PAPER MILL in complete running order, situate on Suncook river in the town of Epsom, County of Merrimack and State of New Hampshire; said mill is abundantly supplied with a spring of water of the purest kind, a good aqueduct and cistern - also a convenient

DWELLING HOUSE & BARN,

With 20 rod of said mill, with a good well of never failing water, a young orchard of choice ----- fruit, and several never failing springs of water, near the house.

ALSO

One other convenient DWELLING HOUSE & BARN within about 50 rods of said mill with a good well of water, and a young orchard, also a GRIST MILL with two run of stones, situated on the opposite side of the stream. The town bridge crosses directly from one mill to the other. For terms and further particulars apply to NEHEMIAH R. KENNISON on the premises or to RICHARD PARK, in Taunton, Mass.

Epsom, Jan. 23, 1832

### **NH Patriot 9-24-1832**

NOTICE.

ALL persons are hereby forbid harbouring or trusting MOSES LOCKE, an idle person, bound by the selectmen of Epsom to the subscriber until the 26th day of March next - an all persons are also forbid hiring or employing him as I shall claim his services and earnings till that time.

SAMUEL W. BICKFORD

Epsom, Sept. 12, 1832

## **NH Patriot 11-5-1832**

We are informed that no less than FOUR BUSHELS of tory newspapers, extras, handbills and pamphlets have been sent to the single town of Epsom during the last few weeks. Such of these are not franked by Daniel Webster and other members of Congress, come charged with postage. In many instances the persons to whom large bundles are directed, refuse to take them out of the mail; and thus a direct fraud on the Post Office Department is committed. What would have been the condition of the public mails, had Daniel Webster and his partly succeeded in taking off the postage on newspapers, extras and handbills? Our stages would have been more heavily loaded with this free commodity than they ever were with passengers !

## **NH Patriot 5-13-1833**

THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

Merrimack, ss.

Court of Common Pleas. February Term, 1833

EPHRAIM HASTINGS of Heath in the County of Franklin and Commonwealth of Massachusetts, Esquire, Plaintiff, against John D. Haynes, of Epsom, in said county of Merrimack, Butcher, other wise called of Brighton, in the county of Middlesex and Commonwealth of Massachusetts, Defendant. In a plea of the case founded on the note of said defendant under his hand dated the ninth day of February, 1831, for the sum of eight hundred dollars in eight months, and grace, made payable to one Samuel Davis or order and by him endorsed to the Plaintiff. Also, on said defendant's other note of the same date, under his hand for seven hundred dollars in six months, and grace, made payable to Samuel Davis or order and by him endorsed to the Plaintiff.

It has been suggested to the Court that the property of the defendant in said State of New Hampshire has been attached on the Plaintiff's writ and that said defendant has had no notice of the said attachment.

It is therefore ordered that said action be continued to the next term of the Court to be holden at Concord, in said county of Merrimack on the first Tuesday of September 1833, and that notice to be given to the said defendant of the pendency thereof by publishing a copy of this notice and the order of Court thereon in the New Hampshire Patriot and State Gazette, a newspaper published in said Concord five weeks successively the last publication thereof to be thirty days prior to the first day of said Term in September 1833.

Attest - M. Eastman, Clerk.

### **5-18-1833 and 5-20-1833 DANIEL CILLEY BARNs**

On Sunday night last, three barns, with a stable and shed belonging to Col. Daniel Cilley, of Epsom, were consumed by fire: supposed to have been set by an incendiary. Loss not particularly stated; probably about \$1000. Insurance \$350 in the N.H. Mutual Company.

On the night following the 5th instant the barns of Daniel Cilley, Esq. were consumed. His dwelling house was saved with much difficulty. There is no doubt that this was the work of an incendiary. Epsom has for a few years past been peculiarly unfortunate in fires and in the suspicion at least, that it is infested with a very few miscreants, who have occasioned them.

### **NH Patriot 3-10-1834**

NOTICE. A FARM, to be sold at Public Auction at the Store of Tho. D. Merrill on the 22d day of March next at 10 o'clock A.M. Laying on the Old Road Leading from Concord to Portsmouth, within a few rods of the Meeting-House, School-House, Paint Mill, Saw-Mill &c. containing about Sixty-five Acres of good land well divided into Mowing, Pasturing and Wood-land. It has on it a food one Story House, Barn and other out Buildings necessary for the convenience of the Farm. Conditions made known at the time of sale.

Epsom, February 24th, 1834

ANDREW M. HEATH

### **NH Patriot 8-4-1834**

NOTICE.

I hereby forbid all persons harboring or trusting any of the following named persons, now considered paupers and belonging to the town of Epsom, viz. John Saunders, John Dolloff, Elizabeth Lamprey, Elizabeth Wells, wid Sally Marden, Sally Ames, and Roxanna MacDaniels, or any other persons who may become chargeable to said town within one year from the 26th day of March last, they are also forbid employing them as they would avoid the penalty of the law; as I have contracted with the selectmen for their support and am entitled to their labour. I have made ample provision for them at my house, in Epsom, and am determined to support them nowhere else.

JAMES WIGGIN, Jr.

Epsom, July 30, 1834

### **NH Patriot 9-1-1834**

## MILITARY

### BRIGADE ORDERS

Head Quarters, 3d Brigade N.H. Militia

Epsom, Aug. 15, 1834

Perkins Gale, late Brigade Quarter Master has been promoted, appointed and commissioned Inspector of the third Brigade with rank of Major, and will be obeyed and respected accordingly.

B.L. LOCKE, Brigadier General

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### BRIGADE ORDERS

Head Quarters, 3d Brigade N.H. Militia

Epsom, August 15, 1834

Thomas D M Locke, late Paymaster in the 18th Reg., has been promoted and appointed Quarter Master of the third Brigade with the rank of Major; and Jonathan L. Cilley, has been appointed Aid de Camp to the Brigadier General of said Brigade with the rank of Captain, and they will be obeyed and respected accordingly.

By order of the Brigadier General,

PERKINS GALE, Brigade Inspector

The Regiments constituting the third Brigade will parade for Inspection and Review as follows, viz:

The 8th Regiment October 2, 1834

11th Regiment October 3, 1834

38th Regiment October 7, 1834

18th Regiment October 8, 1834

17th Regiment October 9, 1834

### **6-22-1835 JAMES SHERBURNE CATTLE**

Lightning. James Sherburne, of Epsom, had (about ten days since) six cattle killed in his yard; by a single shock of lightning. He was standing within a few feet of them, but escaped without injury.

### **NH Patriot 3-28-1836**

To the Hon. Horace Chase Judge of the Probate of Wills, &c. for the County of Merrimack.

HUMBLY shews James Wiggin, Sally Knox, and Eliphalet Wiggin as Guardian of Henry Knox and Albert Knox, all of Epsom in said County of Merrimack, that they are seized in fee simple, and as tenants in common, of and in a certain real estate situated in said Epsom, being one third part of the

homestead farm formerly owned by John Dolloff, late of said Epsom, deceased, bounded northerly by land of Jeremiah G. Burnham, easterly by Suncook river, southerly by land of Jeremiah Gordon and Nathan Bickford, westerly by the road leading from Epsom to Pembroke, and is that part of said farm, which was assigned and set off to Mary Dolloff, as her dower in said farm, being about twenty-five acres, the said James Wiggin being owner of one undivided eighth part, and the said Sally Knox, Henry Knox and Albert Knox, of one undivided half, with Nathan Bickford, the heirs of Josiah Knowles and the heirs of Jabez Smith, there being no dispute about the title, that they cannot possess, occupy and improve said parts to any advantage, while the same lie in common and undivided as aforesaid, but wholly lose the profits thereof: wherefore they pray that notice may be issued, in due form of law, and that their said parts may be set off and assigned to them in severalty; and your petitioners shall every pray.

JAMES WIGGIN,

SALLY KNOX,

ELIPHALET WIGGIN, Guardians for Henry and Albert Knox.

#### **NH Patriot 5-2-1836**

NOTICE is hereby given that we the subscribers do forbid all persons harbouring or trusting Samuel Trickey, Phebe Trickey, wife of said Samuel Trickey and Permealy Trickey, Catharine Trickey, James Trickey, Mary Trickey and Benjamin Trickey, children of the said Samuel Trickey, paupers belonging to Allenstown, but now residing in Epsom, as we have made provision for the support and maintenance, we shall pay no accounts or debts contracted on their account unless by our order.

CHARLES ROWELL, JOHN JOHNSON, Selectmen.

Allenstown, April 18th, 1836

#### **NH Patriot 7-11-1836**

To the Judge of Probate for the County of Merrimack, in the State of New Hampshire.

RESPECTFULLY shews Stickney Robinson of Epsom, in the County of Merrimack, Yeoman, that he is Guardian of LAVINA ROBINSON and JOSEPH ROBINSON, minors, children and heirs of Joseph Robinson, late of said Epsom, deceased, by the appointment of the Judge of Probate for the said County of Merrimack; that his said Wards are seized each, of one undivided third part of a certain piece or parcel of land situate in Epsom in said County, containing about eighty-five acres, including the reversion of the widow's right of dower therein, bounded on the north by land of Hazen K. Clark, on the east by Suncook river, on the south by land of James Clark and on the west by the

highway leading from Buck street in Pembroke to Short falls, so called, in said Epsom, and that it is necessary for the support of his said Wards and will not be conducive to their interest to have the premises sold; wherefore he prays that he may be licensed and authorized to sell the same a public auction, according to the statute in such case made and provided.

STICKNEY ROBINSON, Guardian

June 28, 1836.

#### **4-24-1837**

NOTICE. The subscriber has been appointed by the Hon. Judge of Probate for the County of Merrimack, State of New Hampshire, Guardian over the person and estate of Perkins Philbrick of Epsom in said County, judged to be non compos Mentis, and has taken upon himself that trust, he giving bonds according to law. - He will adjust all claims in favor of or against his said Ward, accordingly.

ROBERT KNOX, Guardian

Epsom, April 17, 1838

#### **NH Patriot 10-23-1837**

##### **Article**

The Portsmouth News tells a good story of a REVOLUTIONARY TEA PARTY got up by Major Michael McClary of Epsom, an unflinching patriot of those times, for the express benefit of a Mr. Dix of Pembroke, a tory who openly retailed the obnoxious article in spite of the threats and remonstrance's of the liberty men. Major McClary and his friends repaired to Pembroke, and commenced operations by buying a pound of tea of Mr. Dix, during the purchase of which, the latter threw out certain hints that did not tend to allay the excitement of the "tea party." On the following morning this pound of tea was burned in the street before Dix's store, in the presence of a large number of the liberty men. Dix had in the mean time fastened the door of his store, and armed himself with a loaded musket - and swore if the d \_\_d whigs broke open his store, he would shoot them as fast as seven devils could carry them out. The cry being made for more tea, the brave and daring McClary, with one jump, stove in the door of the store; entered the same sword in hand, and disarmed the tory Dix before he recovered from his surprise. His well stored chests of tea were emptied upon the fire - and himself compelled to sign the agreement of the patriots - that he would sell or drink no more tea! Thus ended the tea party of Pembroke, N.H.

### **NH Patriot 7-2-1838**

COMMISSIONER'S NOTICE. The subscriber having been appointed by the Hon. Judge of Probate for the County of Merrimack Commissioner to receive, examine, adjust and allow, all the claims and demands against the estate of JOSIAH KNOWLES late of Concord in said County deceased, to be administered as an insolvent estate, and six calendar months from the 22nd day of May 1838 being allowed for that purpose, hereby gives notice that he will attend to the duties of his appointment at his dwelling in Epsom in said County on the first Tuesday and on the last Saturday of September and on Thursday the 15th day of November next from 1 to 5 o'clock in the afternoon on each of said days.

JONATHAN L. CILLEY, Com'r.  
Epsom, June 26th, 1838

### **2-25-1839**

NOTICE. This is to certify that I have given my son NATHAN EMERSON his time to act and trade for himself. I shall claim none of earnings nor be responsible for any debts he man contract from this date. - JESSE EMERSON

Attest - Benj. Sanborn, George B. Ham  
Epsom, March 6, 1839

### **3-12-1839 DEARBORN BATCHELDER TAVERN**

The tavern house of Mr. Dearborn Batchelder, of Epsom, N.H. was destroyed by fire a few days since. Loss \$1500 or more, besides several hundred dollars in money. The property had been insured in the N.H. Mutual Office; but the owner suffered his policy to expire a few weeks since, without renewal.

### **NH Patriot 2-16-1843**

NOTICE

THIS is to forbid all persons harboring or trusting John Bachelder, Hannah Locke, Abigail Ames, Betsy Wells, Jane Daniels, John Saunders, John Dolloff, Benjamin Freese, Nancy McDaniels, Samuel Moses and his wife Mary Moses, and their three children, Thomas J. Moses, Madison W. Moses and James E. Moses, all paupers belonging to the town of Epsom, as I have contracted with said town for their support.

WILLIAM ROBINSON  
Epsom, Feb. 13th, 1843

**NH Patriot 8-24-1843**

NOTICE.

THE subscriber hereby gives notice, that he had been appointed Administrator, with the will annexed, of the estate of JONATHAN KNOWLES, late of Epsom, in the county of Merrimack, deceased, and requests all persons indebted to the estate to make payment to him, and all persons having claims against the estate, to present the same for settlement.

NATHAN BICKFORD.

Epsom, August 23, 1843

**NH Patriot 7-11-1844**

NOTICE

IS hereby given to all concerned that the subscriber has given to his son, CHARLES H. YEATON, of Epsom, his time to act and trade for himself from this date. I shall claim none of his earnings, nor pay any debts of his contracting, hereafter.

JOHN YEATON, Jr.

Witness- William Yeaton

Epsom, July 10, 1844

**NH Patriot 10-24-1844**

NOTICE.

ALL persons are hereby cautioned against harboring or trusting ABRAHAM LOCKE, a pauper of the town of Epsom, in the County of Merrimack, on my account, or on account of said town - as I have contracted with the Selectmen of said Epsom for his support, and have made suitable provisions for him at my house.

DEARBORN BATCHELDER

Epsom, Oct. 16. 1844

**NH Patriot 2-27-1845**

Farm and Buildings for Sale.

The subscriber, having made arrangements for leaving the Farm where he now lives, this spring, is desirous to sell. Said Farm is situated in EPSOM, one half mile north of the turnpike on the main road from Manchester to Pittsfield.

There are about eighty acres in the place. The Farm produces well, and is very easy of cultivation; is well wooded and watered.

The buildings are a one story house, 40 by 30, a barn, 48 by 38, a wood-house,



hog-pen and corn-barn.

Possession given immediately. Terms of sale, easy.

SIMONDS FOWLER.

Epsom, Feb. 19, 1845.

### **NH Patriot 5-15-1845**

To the Hon. Judge of Probate for the county of Merrimack.

Respectfully represents John Whitaker of Hopkinton, in said county, Executor of the last will and testament of Joseph Bickford, late of Concord in said county, deceased, that the said Joseph Bickford in his lifetime, to wit., on the fourteenth day of August, A.D., 1837, did contract and engage in writing, to convey to one William Bickford of Epsom, in said county, upon the performance of certain conditions on the part of said William therein stated, certain real estate, situated in said Epsom, bounded as follows - beginning at the northeasterly corner of said premises, thence on the rangeway to land owned by Stephen Rand, thence westerly on land owned by the said Stephen Rand to Suncook river, thence northerly on Suncook river to land which John Rand bought of Tobias T. Rand, thence easterly on the line of the land said John Rand bought of Tobias T. Rand, to the bounds first mentioned. Also, one undivided half of a certain tract of land in said Epsom, lying on the west side of the Suncook river, bounded as follows - on the south by land owned by John Prescott, west by land of said Prescott and Samuel Marden, north by Canterbury old road, so called, and east by Suncook river.

That the said Joseph Bickford was prevented from making said conveyance by death, and that said William Bickford stand ready to perform the conditions of said contract on his part.

Wherefore, your petitioner prays that he may be licensed to make and execute a conveyance of said real estate, agreeably to the Statute in such case provided.

JOHN WHITAKER

Dated the 1st day of May, A.D. 1845.

### **NH Patriot 7-10-1845**

To the Judge of Probate for the County of Merrimack, in the State of New Hampshire.

RESPECTFULLY shews SAMUEL D. NUTTER, of Barnstead, in the county of Belknap, that he is guardian of JOSIAH K. NUTTER, a minor child of your petitioner, by the appointment of the Judge of Probate for the said county of Merrimack; that his said ward is seized of one undivided eighth part of the following described real estate, viz: a certain tract or parcel of land situated in the town of Epsom, in said county of Merrimack, and bounded easterly by the

range road leading from Epsom Village (so called) by the dwelling house of David Philbrick, in said Epsom, northerly by land of David Lock, westerly by the road leading from Epsom Village to Pittsfield (so called) and land of Samuel Cate, southerly by land of Joseph J. Moses, containing two hundred acres more or less, with the buildings thereon and improvements thereon, the same being the homestead place of the late Jonathan Knowles, aforesaid; also, the one undivided eighth part of a certain tract or parcel of land lying and being in said Epsom, bounded and described as follows, to wit; easterly by land of Joseph J. Moses, northerly by land of Samuel Cate, westerly by the Range, and southerly by land of Stephen Rand, containing thirty-five acres more or less; and that it is necessary for the support of his said ward and will be conducive to his interest to have the premises sold; wherefore he prays that he may be licensed and authorized to sell the same at public auction, according to the statute in such case made and provided.

SAMUEL D. NUTTER, Guardian.

### **NH Patriot 10-23-1845**

"The State paper can point our the 'individual distinguished' or otherwise, who has effected the removal of Gen. Locke living beyond the limits of Epsom." - Hill's print.

"The "State paper" can do no such thing. The reckless falsifier who conducts the 'Great Corporation Advocate,' state that 'probably' the removal was effected 'at the instance' of Col. Pierce. We are authorized to say that Col. Pierce has exerted no influence, directly or indirectly, in relation to the removal and appointment of postmaster at Epsom. No man in Concord, to our knowledge, had the least thing to do with the removal of Gen. Locke. We did not know that any effort was made for his removal, till the notice of the removal was sent to us for publication. Hill must hunt up another 'clique' to hold answerable for Gen. Locke's removal, and other removals of which he complains.

### **9-14-1848 JOSEPH LAWRENCE DWELLING**

Fire In Epsom. - The large three-story house in Epsom, which, for many years, has stood so boldly in the traveler's eye as he passed on either of the leading roads in Epsom, owned by Mr. Joseph Lawrence, was consumed by fire, last Wednesday morning, soon after sunrise.

### **NH Patriot 4-26-1849**

NOTICE.

ALL persons are hereby forbid harboring, trusting or employing James H. Haynes, Adeline Haynes, Alvira Haynes, Sarah E. Haynes, Harvey S. Haynes, Octavia T. Hayes, Martha A. Haynes, Reuben White, Eliza White, Keziah White, Sally White, Abigail Towle, Betsy Ames, Moses Locke, David Dickey, Elijah Pettingill, Meriam Barton, Thomas Moses, Benjamin W.M. Moses, James E.C. Moses and Elizabeth Moses, Paupers, chargeable to the town of Epsom - said town having made ample provisions for their support, will claim their earnings and pay no debts of their contracting.

WILLIAM HAM, JONATHAN L. CILLEY, GEORGE SANDERS, Overseers of the poor in said Epsom.

Epsom, April 9, 1849

**NH Patriot 7-5-1849**

NOTICE is hereby given that the subscriber has been duly appointed by the Judge of Probate for the county of Merrimack, guardian of the person and estate of STATIRA BABB, of Epsom, in said county, decreed to be an insane person. All persons indebted to the said Statira Babb are requested to make immediate payment to the subscriber, and all having claims to present them for adjustment.

ALONZO WALLACE, Guardian

Epsom, June 26, 1849

**NH Patriot 7-12-1849**

NOTICE.

BE it known that on the 26th day of June 1849, I peaceably entered upon and took possessions of a tract of land situated in Epsom, in the county of Merrimack, bounded as follows: southerly by the first New Hampshire Turnpike road; easterly by land of Albion Perkins; northerly by land of Joseph Howe; westerly by land of William P. Silver, containing one acre more or less, being part of the land which Joseph Marden of said Epsom, conveyed to me by his mortgage, dated October 12th, 1846, and recorded in the Merrimack Records - for condition broken, and for the purpose of foreclosing the right in equity of said Joseph Marden, to redeem the same, and at the same time publicly declared the purpose and object of entry and possession.

MARK MARDEN

Epsom, June 26th, 1849

**NH Patriot 7-12-1849**

STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE - Merrimack, ss.

The Judge of Probate for said county, to the heirs at law of the estate of JONATHAN CHASE, late of Epsom, in said county, deceased, and to all others interested therein.

YOU are hereby notified that ROBERT M. CHASE, administrator de bonis non with the will annexed, of the estate of said deceased, will exhibit is account of the administration of said estate at a Court of Probate to be holden at Concord, in said county, on the fourth Tuesday of August next, when and where you may appear, and shew cause, if any you have, against the allowance of said account.

Given at Concord, in said county, this 26th day of June, A.D. 1849.

By order, CALVIN AINSWORTH, Register.

### **Unknown 8-20-1849**

AUCTION. Will be sold at public auction, on Saturday, the 8th day of September next, at four o'clock P.M., on the premises, the old Congregational meeting house in Epsom, The building is about 50 feet by 40; the timer in the frame is large and with the rest of the wood work is believed to be sound and good. Conditions at time and place of sale. Frederick Sanborn, Moses P. Gray, Jonathan L. Cilley, committee of the proprietors. Epsom, Aug. 20, 1849

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Conditions at time and place of sale.

Frederick Sanborn

Moses P. Gray

Jonathan L. Cilley, Committee of the Proprietors.

Epsom, Aug. 20, 1849

### **NH Patriot 8-30-1849**

FARM FOR SALE

THE subscribers offer for sale their farm in Epsom, well known as the Cilley place, lying on the Turnpike road and near the centre of the town, and close to

the line of the contemplated Railroad from Hooksett to Pittsfield. The home place contains upward of 200 acres, a large proportion of which is Mowing and Tillage, the buildings are two good dwelling houses, two barns with shed, and all other out buildings suitable for two families. Also, a large pasture about two miles from the home place, containing about 90 acres, well watered, lying by the side of Odiorne's pond (so called). Also, a wood and timber lot, containing about 90 acres, about one and a half miles from the home place, and very handy to Long Falls Saw Mill. They also offer the crops now growing, and the hay in the barns, being sufficient to winter 50 head of cattle; the greater part cut on the home place the present season. If not disposed of at private sale the present season, it will be offered at Public Auction the 20th day of February, 1850. Conditions of sale for the whole or such parts as may be agreed upon, will be liberal.

W.P. Cilley

J.L. Cilley

Epsom, August 6, 1849

#### **NH Patriot 2-21-1850**

NOTICE.

THIS certifies that I have given my son GEORGE P. YEATON his time to act and trade for himself. I shall claim none of his earnings nor pay any debts of his contracting after this date.

JOHN YEATON, Jr.

Witness - Wm. Yeaton, Warren Yeaton.

Epsom, Feb. 1, 1850

#### **NH Patriot 5-30-1850**

NOTICE.

THIS certifies that I have given my son, WILLIAM ROBINSON, his time to act and trade for himself. I shall claim none of his earnings nor pay any debts of his contracting after this date.

WILLIAM X ROBINSON (his mark)

Witness- Simeon P. Locke, Mandana C. Locke.

Epsom, April 13, 1850

#### **NH Patriot 6-13-1850**

QUICK WORK. - At Long Falls Mills, in Epsom, Mr. Stickney Robinson, a few days ago, sawed, with a hand machine, 17,000 shingles in ten hours and

twenty-five minutes. - Mr. R. says that if any person can beat this, he will do better next time.

**NH Patriot 10-10-1850**

**EXECUTOR'S NOTICE.**

The subscriber hereby gives notice that he has been duly appointed Executor of the last will and testament of JOHN S. HAYNES, late of Epsom, in the county of Merrimack, deceased, testate. All persons indebted to the estate of said deceased, are requested to make immediate payment, and all having claims to present them to the subscriber for adjustment.

WILLIAM HAM, Executor.

Epsom, Sept. 21, 1850.

**NH Patriot and State Gazette 6-12-1851**

**Article -**

On the 21st inst., Mr. Theophilus Wells, of Epsom, had one of his legs amputated above the knee, in consequence of a long-standing disease of the bone and flesh below the knee. On that day the diseased part commenced bleeding, and a large quantity of blood was lost before the arrival of the physician, Dr. T. Haynes, of this town. Dr. H. judged it necessary to remove the limb at once, as the only chance to save the life of the patient. Ether was administered and the leg was removed in a few seconds, without pain. Mr. Wells is a very worthy man, aged about 40 years.

**Weekly Union (Manchester) 5-5-1852**

**Article - The Freshet**

The Patriot contains the following additional particulars in relation to the late freshet: In Epsom, we learn that three bridges over the Suncook, two over Bear Creek, and one or two others were carried off. The grist mills of Mr. Worcester Preston were carried off. - Mr. P. was in it when it started, but he concluded to step out and escaped uninjured. It is stated that the damage to the roads and bridges in Epsom is over \$1000.

**Weekly Union (Manchester) 9-28-1853**

**A FARM FOR SALE**

THE subscriber will sell his farm, pleasantly situated in Epsom, NH, containing 182 acres. The said farm is divided into mowing, pasturing, tillage and woodland, with a plenty of orcharding. The buildings are one two-story house with a large ell, and a barn 70 feet by 38, with all necessary out buildings, all in good repair, and supplied with excellent water. There are about 4000 hills of Hops in a good state of cultivation. Terms of payment will be made easy. - Charles Quimby, Epsom, April 11, 1853

### **NH Patriot and State Gazette 5-28-1856**

#### **A FIRST RATE FARM FOR SALE**

The subscriber offers for sale one of the best farms in the county of Merrimack, being the one in Epsom, now owned and occupied by himself, and well known as the Knowles place, situated one mile from the town house and centre village in Epsom, on the road to Pittsfield city, from which it is distant but five miles, where is a market for every thing raised on a farm, equal to Concord. The farm contains about 210 acres, one fourth of which is covered with a heavy growth of pine and hemlock timber, mixed in with hard wood. The residue suitable divided into tillage, mowing and pasture, the whole mostly fenced with stone wall. The tillage land is remarkably well adapted to the raising of wheat and corn. There is an excellent orchard on the premises. The buldings are a two story dwelling house 40 feet by 32 with an L, w stories 20 feet square, all well finished and painted inside and out. A cider house, chaise and wood house. well finished. A barn, lately built, 84 feet by 36 feet, thoroughly finished. A corn barn \_\_ by \_\_ feet, and \_\_ sheds. An abundant supply of excellent water in the house and in the barn yard. The timber land is but 100 rods from a saw mill; the swelling house 1 mile from a grist mill, 1 mile from the Congregational meeting house, 1 1/2 mile from the Baptist meeting house, and about 80 rods from a school house.

For further particulars apply to the Rev. J. A. Knowles, Lake Village, or the subscriber on the premises, Any person wishing to purchase a farm of the foregoing description, is invited to call an examine for themselves. No charges will be made for showing. John Langley, Epsom, April 30, 1856

### **Weekly Union (Manchester) 4-14-1857**

#### **Article**

Mr. Isaac Dowst, of Epsom, whose disappearance was mentioned last week, has been found in a state of insanity. He had made an attempt to cut his throat, but did not succeed.

## **Farmers Cabinet 7-28-1858**

AN ACT to disannex the farms of Orland Hines, True Sanborn Jr., Abram Stanyan, Charles Stanyan, Joseph C. Bartlett, and James H. Langmaid, from Union School District in Epsom and Chichester, and annex the same to Centre School District No. 6 in Chichester.

Sec. 1. Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened: That the homestead farms of Orlando Hines, True Sanborn Jr., Abram Stanyan, Charles Stanyan, Joseph C. Bartlett, and James Langmaid of Union School District of Epsom and Chichester, together with the inhabitants thereof living in said Chichester, and their taxable property, shall be and hereby is disannexed from said Union District and annexed to School District No. 6 in the town of Chichester, called the Centre District, for the purpose of schooling, until otherwise districted by said town of Chichester.

Sec. 2. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage.

Approved June 26, 1858

## **NH Patriot and State Gazette 4-25-1860**

### **Article**

Joseph G. Howe of Epsom took lodging for a night or two in the semetry in Manchester, about the first of April, and froze his feet so that it became necessary to amputate both of them, which was done last week by eight Manchester physicians.

## **10-24-1860 SAMUEL BATCHELDER DWELLING**

Fire At Epsom. -The dwelling house, barn and out buildings of Samuel Batchelder of Epsom, were burned on the morning of the 11th ist. The barns belonging to Morrill Hoyt and Darius Philbrick, adjoining, were also consumed.

## **Mirror and farmer (Manchester) 10-7-1865**

### **FARM AT AUCTION**

The "Wiggin Farm" situated in Epsom, will be sold at public auction on Thursday, Oct. 12 at 10 o'clock AM. unless sooner disposed of at private sale. Said farm contains 125 acres of excellent land. The pasture is large and the best in the county. The buildings are in good repair; house nearly new and in excellent condition. Also, at public auction on the same day, two wood lots,



one containing 14, the other 25 acres. Also. live stock, hay and grain, farming tools and furniture. Edwin B. Harvey, Epsom, Sept. 5, 1865

### **3-31-1866 JOHN M. GRIFFIN DWELLING**

The dwelling house of John M. Griffin, of Epsom, being the old Esquire Merrill house, a large and commodious building, was totally destroyed by fire, Thursday noon. Insured for \$1200.

### **Mirror and Farmer 6-13-1868 Article - Railroad Meeting at Epsom**

An interesting meeting of the tax payers of Epsom was held on Saturday, which was ably addressed by Samuel N. Bell, L.W. Clark, Jos. B. Clark and J. L. French, Esq. of Pittsfield.

That a railroad ought to be built up the Valley of the Suncook everybody admits, and that Epsom, with its many broad acres, numerous waterfalls, - both on the Great and Little Suncook, - and half million cords of wood and lumber, should secure railroad facilities to develop her resources seems equally evident. An effort will be made by town meeting to appropriate five per cent of the valuation by taxation to aid in the construction of the Sunook Valley Railroad.

Hitherto the enterprise has been thwarted by the indifference and want of aid from this town, but now the people are more awake to their own interest, and it is hoped that the appropriation will be made and Epsom be changed from an old dull, deteriorating, farming community to a busy, thriving, prosperous town.

Every intelligent citizen, and every absent voter, should embrace this golden opportunity and do everything in his power to secure the completion of this road, which will diffuse business and prosperity, and return ten-fold to every citizen the amount paid for taxes. Epsom and other towns should co-operate with Pittsfield if they wish to secure the advantages of a railroad.

### **Mirror and Farmer 6-20-1868 Article - Important Vote**

The Town Meeting held at Epsom, for the purpose of making an appropriation to aid the construction of the Suncook Valley Railroad, was fully attended and the results most satisfactory. By a very decisive vote the town appropriates five

percent of the valuation, amounting to about \$17,000.00, all that the law will allow, to aid in securing railroad facilities.

Well done, Epsom! The people of that town are awake and say that there is every reason for believing that the Suncook Valley Railroad can, and it must, be built.

### **12-23-1868 DANIEL LOCKE DWELLING**

FIRE IN EPSOM - The dwelling house and farm buildings of Daniel Locke of Epsom, were consumed by fire on Tuesday night last. The personal property lost included considerable household furniture, nearly half of a large stock of cattle, hay, grain and farming utensils.

### **Mirror and farmer (Manchester) 1-9-1869**

#### **FOR SALE**

The subscriber having recently had his buildings burned, offers for sale his Real Estate as follows, to wit:

1st. Home lot, consisting of 140 acres of land, suitable divided into Mowing, Tillage, Pasturing and Woodland - 20 acres of wood and second growth pine timber - about 12 acres of excellent meadow land. Upon the farm is a large number of Apple Trees which bear excellent fruit. Said farm produces about 40 tons of hay annually.

2nd. A valuable wood and timber lot lying upon the easterly side of Chestnut Pond, so called, containing about 60 acres. Standing upon said lot are 150 old growth Pines, and a heavy growth of Hemlock and Spruce timber.

3d. One lot lying upon the southerly side of Suncook Pond, so called, in Deerfield, containing 50 acres - 16 acres of which is wood and timber, with 60 old growth Pines.

4th. One lot lying on the northerly side, near the outlet of Suncook Pond, about 150 rods from Lord's Mills, so called, containing about 22 acres, with a small House and Barn upon it. Most of said lot is covered with wood and timber, with 50 old growth pines. - Daniel P. Locke, Epsom, NH Dec. 22, 1868

**Valley Times Jan 28, 1869**

Charles A. Doe who had been engaged in driving a meat cart to Concord will open a meat cellar at Manchester in Kimball Block.

**Pittsfield Valley Times Feb. 4, 1869**

"As some school boys were sliding down a steep hill, the sled ran against a rock, and one of them, Anson B. Cass, son of H.O. Cass, had he bones of one leg broken and the flesh terribly bruised. He is under the care of Dr. Peabody and is doing well."

**NH Patriot and State Gazette 9-29-1869**

**Article - Narrow Escapes**

In Epsom, a few days ago, as some men were digging a well on the premises of William Tripp, and got down about twenty five feet, the well caved and Jeremiah Burnham was buried up to his arm-pits. He was dug out, with considerable difficulty and danger.

**11-23-1869 JAMES C. YEATON BARN**

FIRE IN EPSOM - A barn owned by James C. Yeaton, at Jenness Corner in Epsom, and occupied by Mr. Kenan of Chelsea, Mass, a contractor on the Suncook Valley Railroad, was burned at 12 o'clock last Friday night together with eight horses, harnesses and carts.

**Valley Times January 20, 1870**

The Ladies of the Congregational Society of Epsom held a Levee at the Town Hall on Wednesday evening, which proved a very creditable and pleasant affair.

An excursion train went down from Pittsfield with about eighty passengers, who were highly pleased with the excursion and entertainment. The well disposed people of Epsom kindly furnished teams to convey them to and from the depot.

Messrs. Cass & Cox, who have done quite a thriving business during the past two years, butchering and carrying meat to Concord, are closing up affairs in Epsom, and preparing to move to Manchester where they will continue the business.

The desirable farm of J.J. Moses Esq. is advertised for sale in this paper, and he will go with the above firm to Manchester.

### **Valley Times February 17, 1870**

Capt. Arthur Locke has been cutting a small lot of timber this winter, including several old growth pines; one of which made after it was sawed, 28,000 feet of lumber.

Large lumbering operations are going on in the vicinity of Pleasant Pond. Monday afternoon of last week, as Mr. William Yeaton, working at Manchester, was engaged in rolling logs down a steep bank, he passed in front of a pile to arrange the large sleepers upon which the logs were to roll. While engaged in so doing, one of the largest logs, over three feet in diameter, started from its position, and Mr. Yeaton, in endeavoring to escape, slipped and fell over one of the sleepers, and the log rolled directly upon him instantly. Had he fallen between the sleepers he would have been safe. He was about twenty seven years old and was unmarried. He was the son of Warren Yeaton, and was brought to Epsom for burial.

### **Valley Times February 24, 1870**

Epsom. Obituary. Mrs. Anna Merrill, aged seventy-eight years and nine months, died suddenly in her chair this forenoon, of congestion of the lungs. She was the widow of Thomas D. Merrill, a prominent citizen of Epsom. Her father was Dr. Peter Green, a native of Lancaster, Mass., and for many years a distinguished physician in this city. He was one of the original founders of the New Hampshire Medical Society. Mrs. Merrill was the only survivor of thirteen children by his second wife, Ruth Ayer of Haverhill, Mass.

### **NH Patriot and State Gazette 3-17-1870**

#### **Article - New Store New Store In the Suncook Valley**

The subscribers offer for sale at their new Store just opened at Goss' Village in Epsom, a good variety of West India Goods and Groceries at extremely low prices. Having purchased goods for cash in Boston and vicinity, at great discount, we are prepared to place them before the public lower than they can be bought elsewhere, in this vicinity. We solicit a liberal patronage. Come one and all and examine out stock of goods for yourselves.

Motto, Quick Sales and Small Profits.

Wm. & John A. Goss. Epsom, Feb. 28, 1870

### **Lake Village Times 4-2-1870**

#### **Article - New Post Office**

A new post office has been established at Short Falls in Epsom. Mr. J.B. Tennant is the postmaster.

## **Mirror and farmer (Manchester) 4-23-1870**

### **FARM FOR SALE**

Situated in Epsom, and lying on both sides of the Northwood Turnpike, about one-eighth of a mile below Marden's Corner, and three minutes walk from Depot of the Suncook Valley Railroad; 1/2 mile from the Freewill Baptist Meeting-house, 1 mile from the Congregational Meeting-house, saw-mill, grist-mill; 1/8 of a mile from school, store, blacksmith-shop, carriage shop. Said farm contains one hundred and ten (110) acres of land, lying on both sides of Suncook River, suitably divided into mowing, tillage, pasture and woodland, with a fair share of natural mowing. The wood is within a short distance from the buildings. The farm is well fences. The field and pasture are divided by Suncook River. Also, one field is almost fenced by a large bend of the river, so there is but a small amount of fence to build. There is also a good mill privilege on the farm, with an ample supply of water.

The buildings are a Cottage House and L, thoroughly finished and very convenient , with an excellent cellar; barn, 36x60, with a cellar; wood shed, hennery, carriage house, corn-barn, and carpenter shop, all nearly new, well finished, and in good repair.

There is also a Young Orchard of Apple and Pear trees, just commencing to produce.

The land is easy and very productive, being a good Stock Farm, handsomely situated, making it one of the most desirable situations in the county. The stock and almost every variety of farming tools can be purchased with the farm if desired. Terms of payment easy. Inquire of the subscriber on the premises, or of Moses Martin, near Buck-street Mills in Pembroke. Mrs. Miriam B. Robinson, Epsom, NH March 29th, 1870.

## **12-14-1872 JEFFERSON A. EDMUNDS HOMESTEAD**

The farm buildings, including house, barn, and shed of Jefferson A. Edmunds, of Epsom, were destroyed by fire Tuesday afternoon, 3d instant, with most of their contents. A horse and hog were burned to death. The loss is estimate at \$3500; insured for \$1500.

## **NH Patriot and State Gazette 6-30-1873**

### **Article - Robbery at Epsom**

The store of Solon Robinson, at Epsom, in which is kept a stock of groceries, boots and shoes, provision, etc., was entered by burglars on Friday night last, who stole about five hundred dollars worth of goods. The building is set up on blocks, and the person or persons who committed the robbery cut a hole, ten by twelve inches square up through the floor from underneath, and entered the store in this way. A large dog belonging to the proprietor, and which is kept upon the premises, disappeared the day before the theft, and came back the day after. Officers were at once notified, and are now engaged in working up the case, but no trace of the thieves has yet been discovered.

### **7-16-1873 JAMES W. MARDEN HOUSE**

On Friday afternoon, the house and barn at New Rye, Epsom, owned by Elder Holbrook, and occupied by James W. Marden, was burned, with a quantity of new-cut hay.

### **Mirror and farmer (Manchester) 4-4-1874**

#### **GRIST MILL AND SAW MILL FOR SALE !**

The subscriber offers for sale his mills, situated in Epsom, NH, one mile from Depot. A good deal of business done. Grist Mill repaired over last year. Saw Mill has 5 circular saws. NICE SHINGLE MACHINE, of latest and best pattern. Anyone wishing to buy such property will do well to call and examine. Good business in dull times as well as in good times. Eph. Heald, Epsom, N

## **NH Patriot and State Gazette 6-14-1876**

### **Article - Drowning Case.**

On Monday last, Charles T. Cofran, an inmate of the Asylum for the Insane, left that institution and all efforts to discover his whereabouts were unavailing. It was thought that he had started for his home in Epsom, but nothing was heard from him during the week. On Sunday morning last a Gypsy boy, who was fishing near the lower bridge, on the Merrimack river, saw the naked body of a man floating down the stream. A brick was attached to his line and thrown over the body, which was drawn to the shore. It was found to be that of a man about five feet and a half in height, answering the description of the man missing

from the asylum, in general appearance, though the body, which had evidently been in the water some five or six days, was considerably bloated, and decomposed somewhat. The authorities and coroner Stewart were summoned, but no inquest was deemed necessary and the remains were interred at the cemetery. Meantime the officers learned that some clothing had been found at Fort Eddy, and on going there learned that a boy had, on Saturday afternoon, found a hat, a coat, pants, vest, shirt and shoes, beside the stream which runs from the eddy into the river. In these clothes the officers found letters by which they were identified at the asylum as those of Mr. Cofran. It is thought that he went into the water to bathe, at the place where the clothes were discovered, and was accidentally drowned and that the body floated out into and down the river to the bridge, where it was found.

### **5-9-1877 HEALD'S MILLS**

The saw and grist mills on the Little Suncook River in "Slab City", Epsom, owned by E. [Ephraim] Heald, Esq., were burned to the ground on Sunday morning. The fire is supposed to have been the work of an incendiary, as it originated in both buildings about the same time. Loss \$4000; insurance \$2000. No clue has been obtained to the incendiaries.

### **NH Patriot and State Gazette 8-18-1881 Article**

The sleepy old town of Epsom seems to be waking to new life by the sound of the carpenter's hammer, early and late, upon a large building, 100 feet by 80, being erected by the shoe factory company at or near Epsom depot. The dam is being put in by H. A. Holmes, and the building is being pushed rapidly forward by J. C. Philbrick and is to be occupied Oct. 15th by an enterprising firm from Lynn.

William Goss also has a large new house nearly completed, near the shoe factory, and expects to build more.

H. S. Knowles is also at work rebuilding the gristmill burned some years hence.

### **NH Patriot and State Gazette 11-1-1883 Article**

The old Freewill Baptist meeting house, at Gossville in Epsom, has had a story added which will be used as a G.A. R. hall and Good Templar's' lodge room.

### **Analectra January 24, 1884**

Mrs. Joanna Buzzell died the 10th, inst., aged 92. She had been a widow over

40 years.

The funeral of Mrs. Ephraim Locke, who died in Suncook, was held at the residence of her son-in-law Mr. James Fowler, on Monday. Mrs. Locke was 78 years old.

The children and grandchildren of Mr. Prescott Locke gave him an oyster supper on Monday night. It being his 85th birthday.

Horace B. Sherburne is bookkeeper at the shoe shop.

Miss Grace Edmonds is on the sick list

Miss Annie Cilley has recovered from her illness and had gone to work in the shoe shop again.

### **Analectra January 31, 1884**

The Grand Army of the republic gave an entertainment at their hall on the evening of the 22nd inst.. There were two dramas by the Epsom Dramatic Club, music by the Jenness Orchestra of Chichester and dancing was kept up till a late hour.

### **Analectra February 13, 1884**

Mr. [Jacob] Freeze Robinson is moving his family to Suncook where he has gone into the Dry Goods business with the Messrs. Johnson of that place. He has been in company with Mr. Silver at Gossville for the past 12 years, but sold out to Sumner Hall a few months ago. Mr. Sumner Hall has been appointed depot master, Mr. Robinson having resigned.

Willie Burnham, son of James M. Burnham, met with a sad accident Saturday afternoon while coasting, bruising his head so that he was unconscious for six hours and breaking his right leg just above the ankle. Dr. Smith was called and set the limb, and he is doing as well as could be expected.

Mrs. Dr. Smith's mother has been very sick with the pneumonia the past week. She is now thought to be better.

There was a cut down at the shoe shop last week.

### **Analectra February 28, 1884**

A skating rink was opened at the Odd Fellows Hall last week.

### **Analectra March 20, 1884**

At town meeting the town voted to buy a hearse.

### **Analectra April 3, 1884**

Mr. Moses Critchett, who died in Concord last week, was buried in the Short Falls Cemetery, he was a former resident of this town.



### **Analectra April 10, 1884**

G.C. Knowles has sold out his butchering business to B.M. Towle.

### **Analectra May 15, 1884**

Capt. Arthur Locke died May 10, 1884, 59 years, 6 months, 25 days. G.A.R. was in charge and the sermon was given by Elder M.A. Quimby of New Durham.

### **Analectra October 2, 1884**

A new school house is nearly completed in the New Orchard district.

### **Analectra October 30, 1884**

There is a brass band being organized at Gossville.

### **NH Patriot and State Gazette 10-1-1885**

#### **Article**

Business is good at the shoe factory in Epsom. About 76 hands are employed, with a weekly payroll of \$600. An addition is to be made to the building and the capacity of the factory increased to ten cases a day.

### **12-17-1885 SHOE FACTORY**

The shoe factory at Epsom recently damaged by fire, is being repaired, and put in order for business again, the insurance having been adjusted and paid to the amount \$3,000.

### **NH Patriot and State Gazette 1-21-1886**

#### **Article - Birthday Anniversary in Hooksett**

The numerous relatives and friends of Charles Quimby Esq., of Hooksett, celebrated the 80th anniversary of his birth, in the town hall on Friday evening, Jan. 15th. The evening was passed in social amusements, and my listening to singing from a choir composed by Hon. Jesse Gault, Dr. F.D. Randall, Mrs. Rev. N. M. Learned and Mrs. E.C. Chase. Mrs. R.E. Philbrick of Pepperell, Mass., a grand-daughter, gave a recitation entitled "Westerling," receiving an encore, following by a satire on Dutch phraseology. Master Frank R. Moore of Concord, a great-grandson, also gave a recitation.

At the close of these exercises Rev. Mr. Learned, in a happy address, presented an elegant gold headed cane which Mr. Quimby received with an effective speech. Pleasant remarks were made by James Thonpson and wife, Dr. Randall,

Mrs. Nancy E. Converse, Ashael Quimby and others all testifying to Mr. Quimby's worth as a townsman, neighbor and father. Mr. Quimby was born in the town of Hawk, now Danville, this state, in the year 1806. He married Harriet Upton, of Bow, by whom he has thirteen children, nine of whom are now living. He has experienced many vicissitudes, having lived, since marrying, in the towns of Bow, Epsom, New Hampston, and in the year of 1871 located in Hooksett, where he has lived since, in retirement. Farming has been his principal business, in which he has been very successful. He is now financially interested in quite a number of farms. He is still active and vigorous, and a noble specimen of New Hampshire's hardy sons. In private life, he is an exemplary moralist; in politics, a firm Democrat; and in his business relations with the world, his word is as good as his bond. His life bids fair to cover many more golden years, and his friends desire that they may be peaceful and happy.

### **Analectra February 5, 1886**

There are three writing schools in session in town. Mr. Crosby of Pittsfield has one at the town hall, Fred Heath has one in District 1 and Austin Yeaton at the North Road schoolhouse.

### **Analectra March 26, 1886**

C.S. Hall had a very narrow escape from drowning Monday morning as he was crossing the shoe factory mill pond. The ice broke, letting him into the water up to his armpits, but by a hard struggle he made out to save himself.

### **Valley Times April 15, 1892**

Mrs. J.T. Cotterell is visiting in Haverhill, Mass.

G.C. Knowles has been very sick, but is getting better.

J.E. Eastman is building him a slaughter house.

The band are to repeat their concert at Short Falls, April 22.

Married at the Free Baptist parsonage on April 8, by Rev. J.W. Scribner, Charles W. Towle of Epsom and Miss Rebekah Towns of Newport.

During the high wind last week Wednesday, a fire burned over about 200 acres of pasture belonging to B.M. Towle. C.W. Leighton and J. and W.H. Sanborn. Three sets of buildings were only saved by the timely aid of the citizens, and plowing across fields.

Fred Fife has gone into the butchering business.

Henry Bickford to carry on Mrs. J.C. Smith's farm this coming summer.

J.H. Tripp has taken down the barn on the J.R. Dow farm and putting it up again in connection with the one at his residence.

Amos Prescott, an aged man who died at North Berwick, Me, recently, resided in New Rye district many years ago. He is survived by one son, J.L. Prescott,

the well known stove polish manufacturer, with whom he lived, and one daughter, Mrs. Jeremiah Burnham of this town.

### **Valley Times April 22, 1892**

Albert Pickard has sold his farm and stock of cattle to Sumner Hall.

The Epsom brass band is to furnish music Memorial Day.

Noah Goss has finished his job in Windsor and returned home.

Hon. H.F. Sanborn of Princeton, Mass, came to town Wednesday.

### **Valley Times May 6, 1892**

Gossville now has six mails a day.

Mrs. Perley Giles has been quite sick the past week.

H.S. Knowles has been in Boston this week buying goods.

The Ideal Minstrel troupe of Northwood gave a concert at G.A.R. Hall Tuesday evening.

The Epsom brass band have accepted an invitation to play at the anniversary of the I.O.O. F. Hall at their hall in Short Falls next Tuesday night.

Albert Pickard has moved to Deerfield.

Eugene Marden is clerking for J.B. Tennant

Shurburn Cass and wife of Lee, who formerly resided here, are visiting relatives in town.

The members of the Evergreen Lodge, I.O.O.F. attended the funeral of their late brother, John S. Hoyt, who died at this home in Chichester, April 21. He was a worthy member, and the oldest in the lodge. His age was 76 years. He is survived by a widow, one son, and four daughters.

The town schools are under instruction of the following teachers: Edith Fowler in the Mountain District; Mrs. Clara E. Woodman, New Rye; Eva Burleigh of Sandwich, Short Falls; Abbie James of Northwood, Gossville; Etta Goodwin of Portland, Center; and Josie Shaw of Pittsfield, New Orchard.

### **Valley Times June 10, 1892**

A son was lately born to Hiram Hartford and wife.

Jeremiah Burnham and G.S. Chapman are both on the sick list.

James Fife, whose family has recently moved here from Boston, is very low in consumption.

By request of the late William Fife of Pembroke, the Epsom brass band attended his funeral at his late home, last Saturday.

A grandson of H.O. Wells, Herbert Lombard of Boston, aged 3 years, was brought here and buried in New Rye Cemetery.

Ephraim Locke, and aged man residing with daughter Mrs. J.W. Fowler, and who has been failing for several months, is now very low.

Dr. John Gile, formerly of Pembroke, now practicing in Tewksbury, Mass, was

married on the 8th instant to Miss Vesta, oldest daughter of Benjamin Fowler of this town.

Maud Critcherson has an attack of the measles.

Married June 1, by J.W. Scribner, John W. Heath of Lynn, Mass, and Mrs. Sarah Hall of Epsom.

### **Valley Times June 17, 1892**

Mrs. J. Hopkinson is sick with a brain trouble.

A daughter was born to George Cass and wife May 30.

Mrs. M.D. Bickford has a bad hand caused by getting a splinter in it and taking cold in it; she has had it lanced once, and it is still very painful.

Noah Goss, Will Waitts, Charles Gordon and James Bickford started early Monday morning for the Mountains with twenty barges and several carriages and one big coach.

### **Valley Times August 26, 1892**

James Fife is very low in consumption.

J.H. Tripp and son started around with their threshing machine last Tuesday.

George S. Chapman died August 20 of heart disease, aged 67 years. He was a member of Evergreen Lodge, I.O.O. F., and is survived by a widow and two sons, Frank of Winchester, MA and C. Augustine of this town, besides one brother of Lynn, MA, and five sisters.

Mrs. Lydia (Dickey) Hayward of Hastings, Nebraska, who recently visited her nephew H.O. Wells, is the only surviving member of the family of Esquire Hanover Dickey, one of the first families in town half a century ago. Mrs. Hayward is 76 years of age, and it had been twenty-six years since she had visited her native town.

The late Ephraim Locke, who died on the 12th inst. was the son of Deacon Ephraim Locke. He was born in 1809 and lived in this town until 18 years ago, when he sold his farm to J.C. Philbrick, and moved to Suncook. While living here he served on the Board of Selectmen ten years, eight of which he was chairman, and was elected member of the legislature. He had been a member of the Free Baptist Church since 1835. His wife, who was a daughter of Rev. Samuel Dyer, died a few years since, and his eldest daughter, wife of Winthrop Fowler of Pembroke, soon followed her mother. For the past two years he has resided with his only remaining child, Mrs. James W. Fowler, at Short Falls, where he has been most devotedly cared for during the many months of his infirmities. His funeral was quite largely attended by the citizens of this town and Pembroke and he was buried in the family lot in Short Falls Cemetery.

### **Valley Times September 16, 1892**

David Marden who died in East Concord September 3d, was a native of this

town.

Mrs. Sarah Morrill who recently died in Pittsfield, was a sister of the late Deacon [Thomas] Tripp.

Miss Mary Baker, a teacher in St. Mary's school, Concord, visited her aunt, Mrs. Samuel Fowler, last week.

B.M. Cummings of Salt Lake City, Utah, was in town last week looking up the genealogy of George Wallace, a native of Epsom, but one of the early pioneers of that country.

Mrs. Thomas Ames is on the sick list.

Kidder Fisk is at work in Weare for Dr. Eaton.

The Democrats of Epsom chose the following delegates to the several conventions: State, S.R. Yeaton, J.W. Fowler; congressional, George Sanders, William Fowler; councilor, Gorham P. Rand, C.O. Brown; senatorial, J.C. Lear, B. Fowler; County, Warren Tripp, S. Martin.

### **Valley Times Oct. 21, 1892**

Mrs. A.G. Noyes is on the sick list.

J.H. Nute has been granted an increase of his pension.

The apple crop in this town does not exceed that of a year ago.

S.T. Dolbeer of New York City is stopping at Calvin Dowst's.

Mrs. Lucinda Dickey, an aged lady, is visiting her daughter in Haverhill and Medford, MA

Miss Malissa Dickey died October 10, of heart trouble, aged 47 years. She leaves a mother and three sisters.

Hon. J.B. Tennant and wife accompanied Governor Tuttle and party to Chicago to be present at the dedication of the Columbian Exposition buildings.

The band is to play at a rally at Deerfield Center Friday evening.

T.W. Kelley lost his horse one day last week, colic is thought to be the cause.

Two sons of the late Thomas Steele of Montreal visited relatives in town this week.

The following are the nominations made at the Democratic caucus Wednesday evening: Moderator for two years, Hiram A. Holmes; supervisors of checklist, Frank L. Seavey, James W. Fowler, George P. Cass; representative, Nathan Goss.

Mrs. Blake Cass went to Byfield, MA, Tuesday to visit her sister.

Everyone is sorry to hear that the shoe shop is to be closed again, and that Mr. Hill is going to move his business to Pittsfield.

### **Valley Times Nov. 25, 1892**

James B. Fife, who died the 13th, was the eldest son of J.H. and Mary Fife, aged 39 years, 10 mos. He went to Boston at the age of 16 years where he was

employed as a clerk in Ditson and Co's music store the most of the time for twenty two years. He came to his father's on a visit last December where he was suddenly stricken with hemorrhage of the lungs, from which he never recovered sufficiently to return. Besides his parents he leaves a widow, two daughters, one son, two sisters. Mrs. Frank E. Randall of Pittsfield and Mrs George Dowst of Allenstown, one brother, Fred C. of this town. His funeral was held in New Rye Chapel; services by Rev. J. Scribner, the deceased having been a member of the Free Baptist church here for twenty-seven years. Interment in New Rye Cemetery. Wreath and bouquet of flowers were furnished by his fellow employees in Boston. Chrysanthemums from his mother.

### **Valley Times December 2, 1892**

There is to be a town meeting next Tuesday to see if the town will exempt a firm for a term of years to go into the shoe shop here. We would suppose that every voter would vote for it. [ed note, they did]

G.E. Critcherson and Everett Edmonds are working for Hill and Company in Pittsfield.

Charles Royal moved his family to Chelsea, Mass, this week.

### **Valley Times December 9, 1892**

Mrs. Susan Weeks, who died December 1 at her brother William Goss' Pembroke of apoplexy, was the widow of the late Simon Weeks, both former residents of this town. She leaves four brothers and two sisters. He age was 60 years; interment in New Rye Cemetery.

Mrs. Susan Philbrick is repairing her house.

The Congregational Society will hold no meetings through the winter.

George P. Cass, who has lived on the Jonathan Chelsey place the past year, had moved back to his own farm.

F.L. Seavey is teaching New Rye School. Miss Olive Freeze of Deerfield at Short Falls. A number of the old teachers are retained.

### **Valley Times December 16, 1892**

William H. Straw, a well known citizen, died on the 10th of heart trouble, aged 59 years, 9 months. He had been a worthy member of Evergreen lodge, I.O.O. F., from its organization, also of McClary Grange. He was a native of Hill, his parents moving to this town during the years of his boyhood. He is survived by a widow, two daughters, Mrs. Anson B. Cass and Mrs. E.E. Kendall, one brother, J.L. Straw of Pittsfield, and one sister, Mrs. Susan Philbrick. His funeral was in charge of the Odd Fellows, conducted by Past Grand J.H. Dolbeer; bearers, Past Grand Warren G. Tripp, G.W. Lane, William Fowler and

Frank Marden. Singing by G.E. Critcherson, J.A. Tripp, Ethel Brown and Alice Wells; organist Mrs. Warren Brown. Rev. Mr. Locke of Chichester, officiating pastor.

**Valley Times Dec. 30, 1892**

Quite an accident happened on Monday. Walter Yeaton, his sister Christie, Mary Griffin and a Miss James were out riding when their horse fell down, throwing them out, injuring them all except Miss Yeaton who escaped with a few bruises. Miss Griffin had a bad cut over one eye and her face badly bruised. Miss James had one limb badly sprained, Walter had his neck hurt. It was a narrow escape for them all.

**Valley Times January 6, 1893**

Mrs. Sally Robinson who was brought from Manchester last week and buried in the Cemetery at Short Falls was the last surviving member of the later Samuel Fowler's family.

Levi Cass, who has been afflicted with paralysis several years, is now very sick.

**Valley Times Jan 13, 1893**

Charles Dutton has sold his buildings and a few acres of land to John Murphy.

**Valley Times January 20, 1893**

James Yeaton is quite sick with pneumonia.

Mrs. Ella Pearson of Epping gave a chalk talk on temperance in the Freewill Baptist Church Wednesday evening.

Dr. French of Pittsfield was called to see Mrs. Thomas Ames Monday. He gave no encouragement of her ever being any better.

B.M. Towle got one foot caught between a log and a tree while at work in the woods Tuesday, hurting it so that it is feared it will lay him up for some time.

Henry and George Dowst are getting our lumber to build a new barn the coming spring.

**Valley Times January 27, 1893**

A daughter was born to Nathan J. Goss and wife January 23; weight ten and one half pounds. [ed note, Maryetta Rebecca Goss, did not survive the year]

Alfred Yeaton is at Manchester Business college.

Fred Fife is getting out lumber to build a new house.

Jeremiah Burnham has been granted an increase in pension.

James Hersey, to whom reference has been made in the papers as teacher of Gen. Benjamin F. Butler, from his beginning to attend school until he was

qualified to attend Philips Exeter Academy, was a resident of this town for many years. He sold his farm to the town for the use of their paupers and moved to Manchester, where he died in 1869.

### **Valley Times March 3, 1893**

Mrs. Mary Jacko [ed. Jackrow] died February 21, aged 59 years and 8 months. She came from New York some two months ago to help care for her sister Mrs. Thomas Ames, who has been sick for several months, and was taken suddenly ill with a brain trouble and lived but three weeks. Her funeral was held in Lowell, MA, February 25.

Died at the home of her daughter Mrs. G.E. Warren, February 17, Mrs. Sophia Holmes, aged 85 years. Her remains were carried to Northwood for burial. She leaves four sons and two daughters.

Deacon Charles Doe is on the sick list.

Otis Burnham of the Concord Railroad shop spent the last week at his father's James Burnham.

C.W. Tarlton of Concord was at his farm last week barreling and shipping his apples to Boston.

The roads have been badly drifted for a week or more, some are hardly passable now.

### **Valley Times March 17, 1893**

Widow Hannah Prescott, who is in her 89th year, is living alone in her house in Gossville and doing her work. Her late husband, Stephen Prescott of Deerfield, was a soldier of 1812, and she is the only pensioner in town under that date.

Over forty from this place attended concert by the Epsom brass band at Chichester last Friday evening.

The following officers were elected at the town meeting Tuesday: Selectmen J.H. Dolbeer, Edwin R. Yeaton, and Henry Doty. Town clerk, Maurice C. Philbrick; town treasurer, Daniel Yeaton.

Mrs. Martha Ames, wife of Thomas Ames, died March 4, aged 58 years and 1 month. She leaves a husband, brother and two sisters to mourn her loss. Funeral at the Free Will Baptist Church Wednesday. Rev. J.B. Scribner officiated. Burial in the Gossville Cemetery.

Our enterprising lumber dealers, Tripp and Tennant are running two sawmills in Moretown, one in Francistown, one in Hillsboro, and are employing some 120 men. They have two mills not in use at the present time. They produce seven million feet of lumber in a year.

### **Valley Times April 14, 1893**

Mrs. Daniel Goss is sick with pneumonia.

H.O. Wells recently bought 9 cows of C.C. Doe and son.



Horace Fowler had his hand badly injured while sawing wood by horse-power last week.

C.F. Haines and W.G. Weeks have painted New Rye schoolhouse and are now painting the one at the center.

The roof of the shed adjoining the dwelling house of J.H. Tripp took fire from a spark blown from the chimney on the 2 inst, and but for its timely discovery the extensive farm building must all have burned down.

Morris Hartford, youngest son of James Hartford, died in the hospital in Boston on the 7th of pneumonia, aged 18 years. His funeral was held at his father's last Sunday, Rev. J.W. Scribner officiating. Besides his parents he is survived by five brothers and five sisters.

### **Valley Times April 28, 1893**

A son was born to Frank Davis and wife April 19.

The remains of Daniel P. Locke of Pittsfield, a native of this town, were brought here Tuesday and buried in the Gossville Cemetery.

Miss Minnie E. Warren, daughter of George E. and Lizzie Warren, died of consumption, April 19, aged 22 years, 4 months and 22 days. The remains rested in a white plush casket wit beautiful flowers from friends comprising a pillow with the letters A.C.F. from the A.C.F. society of Epsom, of which she was a member, basket and 22 white roses, H.J. Holmes; bouquet of lilies and other flowers, Mrs. W.I. Holmes; twenty-two Easter lilies, E.M. Holmes; oleander blossoms, Mrs. C.P. Holmes; basket of flowers, Mrs. Ella M. Yeaton; calls lilies, Mrs. Courtland Freese; bouquet, Mrs. Hosea Hilliard; bouquet, Miss Hattie Pike; bouquet, Mrs. Charles Palmer; calla lilies, Mrs. Daniel Yeaton; bouquet, Miss Anna Batchelder; mound, Miss Ella Marden; bouquet, Mrs Samuel Bickford; wreath, Mrs. G.W. Marden. Funeral was held at the Free Will Baptist Church on Sunday; Rev. J.W. Scribner officiated. The bearers were Hollis Hall, Charles Pike, Walter Philbrick and Willie Burnham. Daniel Yeaton, manager; singing by the choir.

### **Valley Times May 19, 1893**

Roger Griffin, who was killed in Boston by an explosion of chemicals, was a native of this town, being the youngest son of Nathan Griffin now residing in Deerfield. He was 39 years old and leaves a family.

### **Valley Times 1894 (January-August)**

Ernest Heath and George Cass have swapped houses.

Voted at school meeting (March) to have a new schoolhouse at Gossville.

### **Valley Times February 1894**

Obituary

This community was very much surprised and saddened last Thursday morning to learn that Mrs. Carrie E., the estimable wife of Alonzo Batchelder, died at her home in Epsom Thursday morning, February 15th, at the age of 44 years. Her disease was congestion of the brain. The deceased was a native of Concord, and she was born March 15th, 1849, and she moved to Epsom at the age of 16, and had resided there ever since. She was a charter member of Ivy Green Rebekah Degree Lodge I.O.O. F., and also was a member of McClary Grange P of H, and in both of these organizations she ever took an active interest, and she will be remembered and mourned by a large circle of friends at her home and in this town. Besides a husband, she is survived by one brother, Albion L. Page of this town, and two daughters, Mrs. Hattie L. Sherburne and Myrtie E. Batchelder and also a grandchild, Nellie F. Sherburne of Epsom. The funeral obsequies occurred at the family residence last Sunday at 1 o'clock, and the attendance was large. Rev. Mr. Dame officiated, and he tenderly alluded to the many excellent traits of the deceased. The funeral was in charge of J.H. Dolbeer. There was a very elegant display of floral emblems. Wreath of flowers from Mrs. F.C. Ayer, wreath of flowers from members of Ivy Green Lodge, crescent from McClary Grange, wreath of flowers from Mr. and Mrs. A.L. Page, cut flowers from Mrs. C.H. Heath. The beautiful service of Ivy Green Rebekah Degree Lodge I.O.O.F. was rendered, followed by interment in the Centre cemetery.

**Valley Times Newspaper Sat. April 7, 1894**

**SHORT FALLS**

The saddest accident that has happened in this vicinity within our memory occurred March 29th. While a party of men were engaged in rolling logs into the Suncook River near the gristmill, one log suddenly started rolling over and fatally injuring Florus W. Tripp, who died the following morning. He was 29 years of age and the only son of Warren Tripp, and no young man in our midst was more widely or better known. He had always lived with his parents, and his father being engaged in the lumber business, the entire care of the large farm has devolved upon him. Ever faithful in the discharge of the duties of life, while his honesty and integrity won the esteem of those who knew him, and the universal sympathy of the community goes out to his young wife, to whom he married last June, to his parents and his only sister, Mrs. B.H. Fowler, who are grief stricken by their great bereavement. He was a worthy member of Evergreen and Ivy Green, D. of R., Lodges, I.O.O.F., and of McClary Grange; a constant attendant at church and the Sabbath School; in all these associations he will be greatly missed. His funeral was held at his late home last Sunday afternoon, where there was the largest attendance ever assembled on a similar occasion in this town, a great many being present from Pembroke and other

neighboring towns. Rev. J.W. Scribner officiated. Singing by G.E. Critcherson, F.C. Fife, Mrs. J.W. Brown and Mrs. F.C. Fife, Fred Burnham, organist. The services were in charge of the Odd Fellows: J.H. Dolbeer conductor; and the several organizations to which he belonged followed his remains to the grave. Among the floral tributes were 29 pinks from his wife, with many beautiful contributions from Evergreen Lodge, McClary Grange, relatives and friends. Internment in the family lot in Short Falls Cemetery.

### **Epsom Newsletter April 11, 1896**

Mr. John S. Green is on the sick list.

J.W. Murby is at work on Emily Brown's farm.

Mrs. John Haynes is on the sick list at John W. Murby's, her boarding place.

Cyrus Marden is tearing down the old house where his mother used to live.

The Grist Mill broke down last Saturday morning, it has since been repaired.

Bertel R. Foss is going to be the foreman on Mrs. Keniston's farm at

Allenstown in place of Charles R. Dutton who has resigned his position after serving 17 years.

### **4-11-1896 GOSSVILLE HOTEL BARN**

#### **DESTRUCTIVE FIRE**

Old Goss Stable with Fifteen Head of Cattle Destroyed

The village of Gossville in the town of Epsom was visited by the fire fiend about 6 o'clock Sunday night and the two large barns, stable and shed connected with the old hotel, owned for many years by William Goss and now owned by Mr. Osgood, were burned to the ground together with 14 cows, a calf and several tons of hay. The house was saved after a hard fight. The loss is estimated at about \$1000, insured for \$3000. The origin of the fire is a mystery as no light had been used about the barn for 24 hours.

### **Epsom Newsletter May 9, 1896**

Charles Gordon is recovering from his recent serious illness.

Mrs. Harriet Towle is visiting her daughter, Mrs. Annie Smith, of Newton, Mass.

Daniel Goss, Charles Gordon, J.D. Langley and Mrs. John Haynes are all sick and thought to be failing.

The Northwood stage driver got left in Manchester last Friday evening and when the train reached here there was no one to carry the mail and passengers to Northwood. Finally a party from this town volunteered to assume the

responsibility of carrying the mail through.

Winfred Hartford, the former hired hand of Andrew J. Cate, has moved to Deerfield.

C.S. Hall had a bad attack of the mumps.

Mrs. Calvin Brown is still in the hospital in Boston, but is reported improving.

C.J. Brown has moved to Epsom to run a public house at Gossville, also a livery in connection, and will be pleased to meet and entertain traveling public.

Mrs. Sylvester White of Rochester is making her son, E.F. White, a short visit.[Northwood]

Charles Quimby who died in Concord April 26 of consumption, was a resident of Epsom many years, living on a farm on Sanborn hill, and enlisted from here in the Eleventh Regiment, NHV. His first wife was Miss Frances Haynes by whom he had a large family. All but two sons died young. His remains were brought to Gossville cemetery and laid in the family lot. He was 67 years old and is survived by a widow.

### **Epsom Newsletter May 16, 1896**

Josiah Langley is very feeble.

H.C. Fife is our new tax collector

Henry Philbrick is very sick with the mumps.

Henry Ames is also sick with the mumps.

C.S. Hall is improving from his recent illness.

John Spurlin is fitting up the James Brown house.

J.B. Cass was thrown from a wagon lately and received serious injuries to the head, and as he is 83 years old, it is thought doubtful that he recovers.

Work will soon be commenced on the new stable at the Goss place where they were burned a short time ago. A stable will be erected at the east side of the house.

Mrs. Jane Haynes, widow of the late John Haynes, died May 9 after an illness of several years of paralysis. She is survived by an adopted daughter, Mrs. Minnie Woodbury of Manchester. Her funeral occurred on Monday at New Rye church, Rev. Joseph Tucker officiated. The neighbors contributed beautiful flowers and her remains were buried in New Rye cemetery by the side of her husband.

### **INJURED BY VICIOUS COLT**

A painful incident happened about a mile from Suncook last Friday evening, the particulars of which are as follows: George H. Lovejoy, who lives with his father Henry Lovejoy, harnessed their five year old colt to go to Suncook on some errands. The colt had not been used much of late and was rather vicious. Mr. Lovejoy started for home about 9 o'clock and after going about a mile something startled the colt causing him to kick and in such a way as to hit Mr.

Lovejoy on the knee and tore the left knee pan from its \_\_\_\_\_. The pain was so great that he lost control of the colt and being thoroughly frightened, it ran three fourths of a mile, when the wagon was turned enough to throw Mr. Lovejoy out and dislocated his shoulder, the colt continuing. Mr. Lovejoy's father at 12 o'clock, became worried at his son not returning, started after him, and found him lying beside the road near the Noah Cofran place, where the last event occurred. He was suffering severely from the injured joints and was thoroughly chilled having been on the ground for almost four hours. He was at once taken home and Dr. Munsey was called. The doctor found the joints in bad condition, but after setting them in place left Mr. Lovejoy in as comfortable condition as could be expected. The horse was found on Pembroke Street Saturday morning.

### **Epsom Newsletter May 23, 1896**

Not long since eight Gossville enthusiasts went to Chichester and stripped the bark from 90 of the chestnut poles on which we hope soon to see a telephone line connecting us with Short Falls.

The people in town were surprised to learn of the death of Daniel Philbrick last week, coming as it did so sudden and so soon after the death of his brother John S.. The father and mother and family have the sympathy of the entire community in their sad affliction.

Gossville Carriage Company is having a boom. Work is coming every day from neighbors, Chichester, Loudon, or Northwood, and in every instance is quickly and satisfactorily done. A new coach is well under way for stage driver Brown which will add much to the line when completed.

The roads are being put in good condition under the skillful management of our road agent, Samuel R. Yeaton, who is having all the loose stones removed after the road machine has done its work. A great improvement on riding over cobble stones all summer as all whose business compels them to ride the most of the time can testify.

Advertisement - Carriage and Sign Painting in all its branches at reasonable rates, and all work guaranteed by John G. Dow, "Gossville" Epsom, N.H.

### **Epsom Newsletter May 30, 1896**

Frank Rollins was on the sick list last Friday and Saturday.

C.H. Osgood has planted 35 bushels of potatoes. Some of them are up large enough to cultivate.

A fire that came near being a bad one started in the grass near J.B. Tennant's buildings but was discovered in time.

### **Epsom Newsletter June 13, 1896**

Augustus Hartford's daughter died June 6.

James Clark is the owner of a week-old colt.

Miss Emeline Babb of Rochester is stopping at D.T. Cilleys.

Charles Hall of Concord has erected a monument over his father's grave.

Dr. Barston of Kingston, Ma, is going to stop on Lawrence Hill this summer.

Daniel Waterhouse of Deerfield has moved into the mill house at Short Falls.

Cyrus Marden has taken down his old house and has raised his barn and put a cellar under it.

Lightning damaged the telephone at Samuel Fowler's quite badly Tuesday night during a heavy shower.

Charlie Marden, a former resident of Gossville, has returned to this place from Manchester, where he had been working in a store house. He has moved into the house next to the schoolhouse with his family of wife and child. We wish him success among us.

### **Epsom Newsletter June 20, 1896**

The new coach to be run on the Epsom and Northwood stage line, was dedicated Wednesday June 17. It is a good sample of the work Gossville Carriage company can put out. It is made upon honor and no one need be afraid to ride in it.

C.H. Osgood has purchased the lumber for his stable of H. Clark of Deerfield and is at work now building.

Nellie, daughter of Augustus Hartford died June 6, aged 15 years. Besides her parents she leaves two brothers, Waldo and Ernest Hartford of Pembroke, and two sisters.

Daniel Goss died at his home in New Rye Saturday afternoon, aged 75 years and 11 months. Mr. Goss had been sick for a long time with various diseases, notably paralysis and blood poisoning. He leaves a widow, one daughter, Mrs. George Little of Concord; one son, Henry of Lynn; two sisters and three brothers; Mrs. William Walker of Concord, Job Goss of Maine, Mrs. Calvin Dolbeer of this place, all older than the deceased; Samuel of Ashland and William of Pembroke. Funeral Monday afternoon with burial in the New Rye Cemetery, where he buried his first wife 18 years ago.

### **Epsom Newsletter June 27, 1896**

Abner Colby of Newton, Mass., was in town last week, called here by the death of his sister, Mrs. Sanders.

For a good harness or first class repairing, call on William Hoyt, creamery building, Short Falls, NH, open Wednesday, Thursday or Fridays.

Mrs. Estella Edwards, wife of Robert Edwards, died of consumption Sunday afternoon. She had been ill for a long time and her death had been hourly expected for the last week. She leaves besides her husband, a son and daughter,

a brother Will Yeaton, two half brothers, Daniel and James Yeaton, and two half sisters, Mrs. Batchelder and Mrs. Brown.

James D. Colburn was brought here Sunday afternoon and buried by the side of his wife in the New Rye Cemetery. Just ten weeks before that he accompanied his wife's body to the same place. The only relatives he has are widely separated, none of whom were at the funeral, which was held at his late residence in Concord. Since the death of his wife he had been at the Margaret Pillsbury hospital for treatment for heart trouble complicated with other diseases. A delegation of Odd Fellows accompanied the body and performed the burial service at the grave.

#### New Stage Christened

The elegant new stage just placed upon the Northwood and Epsom line was christened last week Thursday by a free ride given to a number of out town officials and prominent citizens by specialized invitation from the proprietor, C.J. Brown. The party numbered 17 and started from Epsom depot on arrival of the up train at about 11:30 o'clock. The stage was gaily decorated and drawn by four handsome horses, driven by the proprietor himself. Several members of the party were provided with fish horns, cow bells and other musical instruments, which awoke the echoes along the hills and announced their progress to the wandering inhabitants along the route.

A short stop was made at the Narrows, where they were greeted with cheering and waving handkerchiefs by the entire populace, who flocked to doors and windows to view their passage through the village. The next stop was made at Northwood Center for dinner. Here the party sat down to a first class spread at the Harvey House and shortly after dinner the return trip was begun.

At the Narrows a stop was made at the post office where Postmaster C.H. Sherman treated the party to cigars. Arriving at Gossville, the store of Silver and Hall was visited and all were refreshed.

#### **Epsom Newsletter July 11, 1896**

Samuel Fowler has an apple tree which contains both blossoms and fruit.

Charles W. Towle is confined to his bed with a lame foot. Dr. Hill of Northwood is attending him.

#### **Epsom Newsletter July 25, 1896**

H.O. Wells and sons are cutting the grass on the farms of J.L. Brackett and C.W. Tarleton.

E.F. White boards or breaks horses and colts, also handles and trains speedy horses. Post Office address, Northwood, NH.

Eugene Philbrick is haying for Charles Steele.

Charles Leighton's colt was kicked badly in his pasture Sunday.

Reports of the damage by lightning during the shower of last week Wednesday show that it was the severest one experienced in this vicinity for years. In seven places within a distance of three or four miles the effects of electrical discharges are seen. Freeman Marden's barn was struck and his horse killed, but the building did not take fire. A bolt struck George Burnham's house and completely demolished a window, besides doing other damage. The telephone at George Lane's was destroyed and wires were burned out at Tennant's store and Samuel Fowler's. George Towle's house was struck and badly damaged. It will cost of \$100 to repair it. The worst damage, however, occurred at John Tripp's. From appearances it would seem that two bolts took effect, one at the front and one at the back of the house. Every side of the house was more or less damaged, clapboard being ripped off, blinds splintered, and windows shattered all over the building. Nearly every room in the house was entered and gilt mouldings and picture frames blackened, and streaks burned on the wallpaper. The only occupants of the house were two lady members of the family, who were in the kitchen. The bolt entered the room and played around the stove and metal utensils and exploded in the middle of the room, but without injuring the inmates, which seems indeed a most remarkable escape.

#### **Epsom Newsletter August 1, 1896**

The youngest child of Frank Griffin of Boston was brought into town Saturday and buried in the cemetery at the center.

Mrs. J.C. Lear has an oleander with upwards of 700 blossoms and buds on it. It is for sale.

#### **Epsom Newsletter September 19, 1896**

M.C. Philbrick has a bad attack of the hay fever and is unable to work.

R.C. Knowles is attending Pembroke Academy, riding back and forth on the train.

Anyone wishing to attend the Rochester Fair should call at the News Letter office or at Stage Driver Brown's. Fare down and return only \$1.

#### **Epsom Newsletter September 23, 1896**

E.S. Morrill has peas and corn which have been hoed twice.

J.B. Tennant had had his platform scales re-planked and repaired

Frank Fellows has purchased a new horse. This is the sixth horse Mr. Fellows has owned in as many weeks.

Frank Fellows has sold his horse and again goes to his work on 'shank's mare.'

Lois, daughter of C.H. Osgood, got badly poisoned with ivy last week.

George Cass cut his foot quite badly while building fence.

List of taxpayers in town who pay a tax of \$40 or more:

Alonzo Batchelder 49.50



Horace Bickford 49.00  
Alfred Bickford 41.12  
James L. Bickford 62.20  
Lowell Brown 42.74  
Heirs of Oliver Brown 42.27  
David Barton 84.05  
William P. Babb 41.91  
Andrew O. Carter 58.08  
Charles E. Cilley 45.67  
Heirs of John Chesley 59.73  
John H. Dolbeer 40.66  
James W. Fowler 64.42  
Samuel Fowler 66.10  
Benjamin Fowler 41.25  
Charles S. Hall 142.30  
Henry S. Knowles 58.71  
Joseph O. Lawrence 75.08  
Chapin H. Osgood 52.80  
David M. Philbrick 62.44  
Andrew J. Silver 45.54  
George Sanders 70.19  
James H. Tripp 64.98  
Warren Tripp 79.54  
George C. Towle 48.11  
Hanover O. Wells 57.39  
Heirs of Warren Yeaton 64.52  
Samuel R. Yeaton 48.63

### **Epsom Newsletter October 3, 1896**

Advertisement - Hotels - Suncook Valley House, Gossville, Epsom, NH., near railroad station. Board by the week, \$1.00 per day; single meals 25 cents.

Livery stable connected. C.J. Brown, proprietor.

Advertisement - Epsom and Northwood Stage. Stage leaves Northwood for Epsom 4:45 a.m. and 11:30 a.m. Arrive at Epsom at 7 a.m. and 2 p.m. Leave Epsom at 11:19 a.m. and 6:15 p.m. C.J. Brown, Manager

We notice that A.C. Bickford and John Tripp have a new sign.

J.T. Minard has hired the Wheelwright shop of C.H. Osgood.

Miss Bertha T. Cotterell is very sick with acute muscular rheumatism.

Gorham Rand was in Rochester Sunday attending the funeral of a brother.

William Rand, a well known citizen of Rochester, died at his home in that city

on Thursday of last week, aged 71 years. He was a native of Epsom removing to Rochester in 1850. He had been representative and member of the city government, also president of the Rochester Savings Bank.

The funeral of Miss Mary Lawrence was held at the late home of the deceased on Friday last. Boody's quartet of East Northwood rendered appropriate music and the many flowers which were received showed that she was esteemed by her many friends. The bearers were C.S. Hall, D.G. Chesley, C.A. Chesley and C. Wells. The carriers were Harvey Wells, Charles Bickford, Charles Steele and G.L. Fiske. James Bickford of Northwood Narrows was undertaker and director.

For Sale - Second hand coach in good order. Will carry 20 passengers. Price very reasonable. C..J. Brown, Gossville, NH

### **Epsom Newsletter January 23, 1897**

Frank Fellows remains seriously ill.

William Lent is building a new shed.

John Demers is working for Edwin Kelley.

William A. and Albert L. Sanders are getting out lumber for a new barn.

About twenty-five hands are employed at the shoe factory.

Mrs. H.B. Haynes remains sick and had been moved to her daughter's Mrs.

Fred Page.

Sherman and Rollins have recently put in their usual supply of ice. They cut in Marden's cove instead of shoe factory pond.

### **Epsom Newsletter May 1, 1897**

J.H. Tripp is having his house and out buildings painted, C.F. Haynes and Charles Abbott doing the work.

Miss Emily Brown is sick and Dr. Munsey of Suncook is attending her.

John Dolbeer and family of San Francisco are expected here soon on a visit to his relatives.

Mr. Tasker and wife of Sandwich have been visiting at Rev. J.W. Scribners.

Mrs. Tasker was formerly Miss Evelyn Burleigh and is well remembered here as a successful teacher for a number of terms in our schools.

Bert Ordway, who has bought the Solomon Yeaton farm, is building a new barn.

Ed White of Northwood has moved into the C.W. Royal house opposite the Gossville School house.

Abel Lamprey has moved from Northwood to the Doe house on Palmer hill.

Charles Marden has moved to Slab City.

Frank Hall has had his house painted inside and papered this week..

### **Epsom Newsletter May 15, 1897**

Mrs. J.B. Tennant has been sick with the grip, her sister, Mrs. M.J. Rand, caring for her.

G.C. Knowles is having his buildings painted.

Zachariah Leighton died at 12:30 p.m., Saturday May 8, after a long illness. The funeral was held at his home Tuesday at 12:00 o'clock. He was 79 years of age last March. He leaves three children and several grandchildren. His wife died in 1888 after having lived with him nearly 50 years. He has been a good and faithful man in whatever he was engaged and will long live in the memory of those who knew him.

Cyrus Marden has recently purchased a canopy top carriage.

C.J. Brown has recently bought a new horse and carriage.

### **Epsom Newsletter May 22, 1897**

John Murby is quite sick.

Bert Ordway has built a new barn

George Pike has built a new barn.

Some of the shoe shop help have left.

Miss Helen Towle has had tonsillitis.

Henry Ames has been farming for C. H. Osgood.

The selectmen have appointed for the board of health: J.T. Cotterell, Nathan J. Goss and F.C. Fife.

### **Epsom Newsletter June 19, 1897**

C.J. Brown has purchased a new democrat wagon recently, of Mr. Bartlett of Suncook.

The Epsom baseball nine crossed bats with the Barnstead team last Saturday. Score 19 to 11 in favor of visiting team.

Mr. Ring of Waltham, Mass., has moved his family into Joseph K. Tarleton's house at New Rye.

Mrs. Estelle Hall has recovered from the measles and returned to her home in Barrington.

Road agent Dutton has sold his oxen last Saturday to H.N. Clark of Deerfield.

Mrs. Augusta Chapman and Ellery Straw are having their houses painted.

Mrs. Daniel Yeaton received intelligence last Sunday morning of the sudden death of her brother, W.T. Rowell, in Manchester. As Mr. Rowell was walking on Elm Street about 8 o'clock Saturday evening he was seen to stagger and fall to the sidewalk. Aid was promptly rendered but only a slight fluttering of the heart was perceptible. He had been troubled with heart disease, but when he left his home to walk up the street he was in excellent spirits. He was the son of the

late Asa Rowell of Chichester, and attended the high school in this town many years ago. At the age of 21 he entered the cotton mills in Manchester, rising to the position overseer in the weaving department. He was a member of the First Congregational Church in that city, also of the Lafayette lodge of Masons and Mechanics lodge, I.O.O. F., and had served six years on the board of assessors. He is survived by a widow, one son, and one daughter, and besides his sister here, an only brother, Rev. John A. Rowell of Pine River, Wis.

### **Epsom Newsletter August 28, 1897**

Frank Chase died at his home in Epsom, Monday, August 23.

Walter Tripp has started out with his threshing machine; Waldo Hartford works with him.

More people have taken in the view from the top of Fort Mountain this summer than for several seasons past. Over 50 men, women and children, ascended it within a week.

Abby L. Dolbeer, widow of Calvin Dolbeer, died at her home Sunday morning aged 79 years. She had been ill for several months from a complication of diseases. She leaves one daughter, Mrs. C.S. Hall, who has faithfully cared for her in her illness, also and adopted daughter, Mrs. Sarah E. Akeley of Haverhill, Mass., one sister, Mrs. William Walker of Concord, and three brothers, Job Goss of Maine, Samuel Goss of Ashland and William L. Goss of Pembroke.

### **Epsom Newsletter September 25, 1897**

Mrs. Sarah Akely of Bradford, Mass, is stopping at C.S. Halls.

Dr. L.W. Peabody and wife of Henniker visited in town this week. Dr. Peabody practiced medicine here some twenty-five years ago.

C.H. Osgood is getting out lumber to build a stable to take the place of the one that was burned.

C.S. Hall has been to Vermont and got a car load of cattle for his own use. 26 head.

Bills are posted for the auction sale of household effects of the late Mrs. Abby J. Haynes, to be held Tuesday afternoon September 28th.

We are sorry to hear that the veteran tin peddler, B.M. Davis, is unable to make his fall trips on account of poor health and is confined to his home in East Pembroke.

J.H. Tripp bought 15 head of cattle in Loudon last week.

James L. Bartlett had a harness stolen from his barn two years ago last spring while his family were at church. It was recently located at Northwood Narrows, and Mr. Bartlett has recovered his property.

Over 50 people from here attended the Rochester fair by team.  
William Brown has his new hen house almost completed.

### **Epsom Newsletter October 9, 1897**

J.L. Bickford arrived home Monday from Vermont with two cars containing 80 head of cattle, which he is to offer for sale.

C.H. Abbott is painting the residence of J.C. Lear.

Bert Ordway is having his barn newly clapboarded.

A.J. Silver is painting and repairing his buildings.

The new base ball club in the south part of town played at New Rye last Saturday afternoon.

The four-year-old son of Walter Hartford was kicked in the head by a horse last week. Dr. Hill dressed the wound and the child is doing well.

### **Epsom Newsletter October 16, 1897**

Edward White, having leased the Suncook Valley House recently conducted by C.J. Brown, has now changed the name of the house calling it the Gossville Hotel and will make every effort to please the public. He will also run a free transportation carriage to and from the depot.

Mr. W.W. Reynolds, the new depot master is much appreciated. He has good taste and an evident desire to please each and every patron of the road.

Nathan Goss is having a new barn built on his home place.

There was a husking at Horace Leighton's October 8. There were 25 present and 100 bushels were husked out.

### **Epsom Newsletter October 30, 1897**

Philip Fowler is having his buildings newly painted.

Edwin Hall caught a coon weighing 22 pounds last Friday night.

M.C. Philbrick is building a cottage at Suncook Pond for Suncook parties.

A.O. Carter of this place recently died in Lynn, Mass., from the effects of blood poisoning. He leaves a widow.

Henry Knox, proprietor of the Ocean Wave house at North Rye Beach, has been calling on old friends in this town.

Moses Libbey has been spending a few days with his daughter, Mrs. John Babb in Deerfield.

We learn that Ellery Straw and wife are to return to the farm of Sumner Hall and that James Straw and family of Pittsfield are to line on Ellery Straw's place. E.F. White, the proprietor of the newly named Gossville Hotel, is having quite a good run of trade as people begin to appreciate the accommodations. He is renovating the house all over inside, painting and papering and trying to please all who patronize him. His register shows well for the first week, having the following names: S.H. Sterling, R. Forsett, Manchester; C.H. Farron, Concord;

H.J. Morgan, Ansonia, Conn.; W.H. Kenney, Woburn, Mass.; Mrs. Ida F. Greenleaf, A.F. Holmes, Northwood; L.F. Smith, Thomas C. Brown, Boston; Park G. Hall and lady, Pittsfield; W.W. Reynolds, Providence, R.I.; Frank Manning and wife, Northwood; E.H. Haskill, York, Maine; George P. Wood and wife, Newmarket; H.M. Clark, Deerfield; A.E. Gleason, Durham. Horace Leighton is painting his house.

### **Epsom Newsletter November 6, 1897**

J.L. Bickford is expecting another car load of cattle.

Mrs. Bert Ordway is on the sick list.

Quite extensive repairs are being made on the creamery.

H.B. Hartford is quite sick.

Jonathan Marden is quite sick.

Frank Hall met with an accident Saturday; while working on the railroad he struck an axe in his leg and had been confined to the house.

### **11-6-1897 C.W. TARLETON HOUSE**

A most disastrous fire occurred here on Monday night, when neighbors living in the vicinity of the farm of C.W. Tarleton discovered flames issuing from the barn a little before 10 o'clock. The fire spread rapidly to adjoining sheds, and thence to the large two story dwelling house till all the commodious farm buildings were destroyed. Mr. Tarleton moved to Concord six years ago but his family have spent summer vacations here, while people from cities have at the same time occupied the other tenement. The barn was filled with hay, the most of which belonged to J.H. Tripp. The most of the furniture was saved but the farming tools were lost. No insurance. Mr. Tarleton was informed of his loss Tuesday morning by telephone. The origin of the fire is unknown but supposed to have been set by some tramp who had taken shelter in the barn.

### **Epsom Newsletter November 20, 1897**

Mrs. George Fisk is clerking at the Gossville Hotel.

A break in the water main near the store of J.B. Tennant, required the services of Commissioner D.C. Waterhouse.

George Haynes is on the sick list.

Sumner Hall had an auction Saturday and sold thirteen cows.

Perley Trickey has left Charles Lovejoy's where he had worked this summer.

C.J. Brown has moved to Northwood.

Jonathan Marden, who has been quite sick for the past six weeks, had got out once more.

Calvin Dowst is laid up with a lame foot.

C.W. Tarleton has been in town and it is his opinion that the fire which

destroyed his barn was set by a tramp that found shelter there from the storm. His substantial farm buildings belonged to good farm land and were situated on the best location in the southeast part of the town and their destruction is felt as a loss to the community.

Walter Cox has finished work for J.H. Dolbeer and is stopping with his Uncle John Perkins.

The Center School has been presented with a handsome clock by Mrs. C.F. Bulfinch of Lynn, Mass., which is greatly appreciated by both teacher and scholars.

#### **Epsom Newsletter December 4, 1897**

Albert Brown is doing quite a business at butchering hogs this fall.

James Hall has been in town visiting at his brother's, Sumner Hall.

W.W. Reynolds, who has been our station agent for the past two months, has been transferred to Beverly, Mass., as ticket agent.

#### **Epsom Newsletter December 11, 1897**

George Tripp received a bad fall in his barn one day last week by falling from a beam to the floor below, breaking his nose and several fingers and otherwise injuring himself.

Harvey J. Wells cut his foot badly Thursday while chopping wood.

E.F. White has purchased a new horse from Mr. Merrill.

Mrs. Charles A. Steele fell through the scaffold floor of their barn recently, breaking her collar bone.

Mrs. Abby M. Weeks is quite ill.

#### **Epsom Newsletter December 18, 1897**

E. Lawrence Bulfinch of Lynn has returned to his Uncle's and is attending winter term of school at the Center.

Eliphalet W. French of Pittsfield was in town Thursday and Friday with his famous cattle-dog Nero, and captured Joseph Lawrence's five wild cattle.

James Tennant had a carload of corn, also a carload of gluten last week.

Joseph B. Cass fell Monday afternoon and broke his leg. His case is a serious one as he is 85 years of age.

Arrivals at Gossville Hotel: A.E. Giles, Gilmanton; H.N. Clark, Deerfield; E.S. Morrill, Short Falls; L. Ashton Thorpe, Manchester; J.F. Paine, Loudon.

E.F. White was to Pittsfield Saturday. Mr. White is much liked as proprietor at Gossville hotel, is well patronized and seems to be the right man in the right place. Mrs. White as hostess is equally pleasing, and everything possible is done for the comfort of the patrons.

Advertisement:

HOTELS - Gossville Hotel - Gossville, NH, E.F. White, proprietor. Rates per

day \$1: single meals 35 cents; board by the week \$4. Good livery connected. Free transportation to and from trains.

### **Epsom Newsletter December 25, 1897**

Electric Lights are generally talked of in Epsom. Parties have offered to put them in if enough people will take them to make it pay. Let someone start a paper and see who wants them.

### **9-1-1916 JOHN C. HALL HOUSE**

During the terrible thunder storm which swept over this section Wednesday afternoon of last week, the buildings at the center owned by Miss Amanda Hall, were destroyed. A bolt of lightning entered the barn, which was full of hay, and instantly the structure was ablaze. Luther Hall, who was the only person on the premises, his sister being at Hedding Camp Ground, succeeded in rescuing the livestock. Neighbors and other townspeople hastened to his assistance and dynamiting was resorted to in order to save this fine old colonial house which was a landmark of historic Epsom; but without avail. Some of the furniture was saved but many valuable articles were lost in the flames, including the farm implements and silverware.

### **10-5-1916 BARMAN WEBBING LACE FACTORY**

#### **SOLE INDUSTRY IS WIPED OUT**

Fire destroys Barman Webbing Factory at Gossville

LOSS MAY BE \$100,000

Firm Had Orders Ahead

Was Manufacturing Looms

Till Recently Only Made in Germany

Baptist Church on Fire, But Saved

Special to The Union.

GOSSVILLE, Oct. 5, (1916) Fire, which broke out at almost 6 o'clock tonight completely destroyed the factory of the Barman Webbing company, the only industry in the town, entailing a loss estimated at from \$75,000 to \$100,000. The firm had recently begun the manufacture of looms such as are used in the webbing industry, and the total destruction of drawings and other apparatus figures in the total.

The flames were first discovered issuing from the roof, and the town having no fire apparatus the inhabitants formed a bucket brigade and did what they could to stay the flames. Help was summoned from nearby towns and the



departments of Pittsfield and Northwood responded, the auto chemical of the Pittsfield department rendering especially valuable service.

#### Other Buildings Saved

Nearby buildings, including the Baptist church were saved with difficulty, the church actually catching fire, but the blaze was extinguished. The factory had been recently running at full capacity and had an abundance of orders ahead. It is hoped that the factory will be rebuilt as about 30 hands were employed and the business was of material assistance to the town. (from the Manchester Union Leader, Oct. 6, 1916)

Oct. 5, 1916 - The Manufacturing Company of Barman webbing, makers of Lace and Fancy trimmings, was destroyed by a fire of unknown origin. The business was run by Robert Zinn and Paul Muller, the owner of the property was Charles S. Hall. The damage included \$5,000 to the structure, \$20,000 in machinery and an additional \$11,000 in stock and additional machinery - plus \$1500 in tools. The structure was fully insured and the contents partially insured.