

Old Colony Road



147 Old Colony Rd

Historical Name: Simeon Clark House 1852-1952 Built by David Rice c. 1820

House history researched by the Princeton Historical Commission 2008

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North

Built: 1785? 1822

David Rice m. Abigail Reed

Nathan Rice, son

David Clark - on 1830 map

Simeon Clark, I.D. Rice & Mrs. N.D. Rice - 1870 map

Justin M. Clark

Worcester Co. Trust Co. trustees for heirs

Chester K. Grosvenor occupied (Bertha Clark)

Harry Prescott Jr. 1952

Jennie Brooks occupied & others

Russell Oatman 1969

Barbara (Oatman) Landry and Armand L.

Paul Morris 1983?

Paul and Martha Fortier

(Historical map references)

[1830 map D. Clark]

[1857 map S. Clark]

[1870 map S. Clark]



113 Old Colony Rd

Historical Name: The Owl House Built by David Rice c. 1780

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North

Built; c. 1822? 1785

"Owl House"

David Rice

David Rice, son

Mrs. Nancy (Davis) Rice - on 1830 map

Ira Rice, son -b. 1825

Clessrow Gates

Julia Rice Degnan
William H. Degnan
Mary M. Fuller 1916
Clarence A. Evans
James M. and Eudora Vance
Victor C. Passage 1959
Bruce S. Bennett 1972
David Leach and Audrey Klein-Leach

(Historical map references)

[1830 map Nancy Rice]
[1857 map D.? Rice]
[1870 map I.D. Rice and Mrs. N. Rice]

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South
(Slab City)
Built: 1755
Oliver Davis built first grist mill in town
Fay's Mills on 1830 map
S. (Samuel) Roper and sons 1856
Roper lumber & Box Co. 1892
William M. and Eugene D. Roper
Metropolitan District Water Supply Commission
demolished mill and dam -c. 1930
E.D. Roper house
Mary A. Roper house
(Buck's Mill and Shop on Sterling Rd also taken)
Theodore Curtis bought mill, converted to electricity

(no card number)

Cellar hole beyond
Owl house on right
whose?

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North
William Roper
Lion's Club
Donald Buck 1949
Gordon Smith 1952
John H. Strike
burned 1968 and rebuilt

Princeton-Hubbardston Town Line

1830 map: Even before 1830 there were businesses associated with the East Branch of the Ware River on the Princeton-Hubbardston line. These mills continued to produce various products until after the late 1800's. Two names associated with the area in 1830 are the Fay Mills and J.G. Davis.

1870 map: Old Colony Road continued in a westerly direction and converged with Hubbardston Road. It was in this vicinity where Mrs. N. Wilson, S. Roper, M. M. McCormick, Roper Saw Mill, are shown. Also included in this area are: S. Roper, W. Wilson, and __F. Santom. The area was known as Valley Village or Slab City.

1898 map: Businesses and residences continued to exist in this area. Located in Hubbardston, just over the town line, were M.H.O. Murdock, P.J. Johnson, Roper L&B. (Lumber and Box) Co. and a cider mill. In Princeton the map shows A.R., J.R. & A.E. Wilson, the Wm. Roper Residence, T.H. Bartlett, and a Saw, Box and Grist Mill, Roper Lumber and Box Co. and a blacksmith shop. Joyce Anderson, PHC



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William G. Forest 1933 - d. 1955

Stark?

Paul and Delores Lyons -1968-2006 street list)



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(Roper's Mills) (Slab City)

Hervey Bartlett -c. 1918

Harriet M. Chambers 1938 - 1945

Henry and Rachel Edmonds 1952

Cumming 1966-68

Wade C. Parslow c.1968

Wade C. and Mary Parslow c.1968 (1994 street list)

Bunny Ginuisz (1998, 2006 street list)

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