Sterling Road

(10 houses 1950)

Princeton House File: Foot of Gregory Hill to Merriam Rd. and South to Sterling Line

Russell Corner Historic District was listed in the National Register of Historic Places on February 22, 2006 by the National Park Service. The intersection of Gregory Hill Road and Sterling Road form the westerly boundary and includes 18 Sterling Road, the only Sterling Road house in the district.

1 Sterling Road

See 49 Gregory Hill Road



18 Sterling Rd (Princeton House File-card 464)

South west Built: 1940-42

Anne Densmore Moore & Peter, c. 1946

built of old barns - Peter cut trees & Lahti hewed

Dennis S. Moore & Anne - c. 1964

8A Sterling Rd (Princeton House File-card 465)

South

Bancroft and Nancy Littlefield

___Sterling Rd

(Princeton House File-card 466)

South

Built: c. 1760

(opp. Albert C. Howe)

Peter Goodnow built - house moved from "Goodnow Lane"

(Gregory Hill) to site on Sterling Rd.

Eliphalet Rogers 1782 - c. 1800

Charles Cobb 1825 - built new house

Daniel H. Wiswall - on 1830 map

Joseph Reed

Mrs. T.H. Russell heirs house and shop gone

(could be this house or another - location was wrong on 1830 map - believe it was farther down Sterling Rd. - south side - cellar hole still visible - between Moore's and Wagner's driveway)

47 Sterling Rd. (Princeton House File-card 467)

North east

Owners and occupants:

William Howe lived 1824

Mirick and Russell owned

Wm. Howe Jr. 1848 m. Pamelia Everett

Various occupants:

Paris W. Lee - Stephen Haskell

George W. Lincoln (Hodgeony)

J. Whitney

Joseph G. Eveleth - Eveleth heirs

Mrs. Jane Perkins

P.C. Doolittle - Edward F. Baker 1900

Mrs. Annie Doran of Providence - house burned, c. 1916

William E.S. Bird & Eleanor built, c. 1959





42 Sterling Rd (Princeton House File-card 468)

South

Owners and occupants:

Ebenezer Jones settled 17___

Andrew Whitney bought 1780

Marshall Merriam

John Whitney (1830 map)

Sewell Richardson & Jr.

Mrs. Thomas H. Collins bought and moved house to south side of lane

John D. Peabody of N.Y. bought and used as dwelling for farmer

(Historical map references)

[1830 map J. Whitney]

[1870 map S. Richardson]

[1898 map Sewell Richardson]





42 Sterling Rd

Historical Name: Thomas and Amelia Collins House Built 1912-1913

Researched by the Princeton Historical Commission 2008

(Princeton House File-card 469)

South

Main House

Built: 1912-1913 by Amelia E. Collins (Mrs. Thomas H.)

John D. Peabody of N.Y. bought

Mary B. Peabody (Mrs. John D.)

Putnam King - 1957

Nicholas H. Wagner II c. 1963

Vanasse

(This is the large Colonial Revival now identified on street list as 42B)

87 Sterling Rd (Princeton House File-card 470)

North

Built: c. 1965

Carl E. Bratt & Jean

(owned Chrystoff (sp? probably Kristoff) - Holden)

__Sterling Rd

(Princeton House File-card 471)

South

Built: 1973 by Eric Lysen

for John Villnave

___Sterling Rd (Princeton House File-card 472)

South

Olaf & Signe Altberg

-----Borgeson

David Geoffroy





128 Sterling Rd

Historical Name: John Munro House C. 1790

House history researched by the Princeton Historical Commission 2006

(Princeton House File-card 473)

corner of Coal Kiln Rd

South

Owners and occupants:

Silas Holman of Sterling

Osgood

Bought by Boston man who sold to

Mrs. Artemas Richardson who married

2nd Amos Babcock

3rd William Reed of Sterling

Charles Eveleth

Mrs. Addie Child (dau. of C. Eveleth)

Gustav Forslund

Clara Forslund

Alf Forslund

(Historical map references)

[1830 map Richardson] [1870 map C. Eveleth] [1898 map Charles Eveleth]



141 Sterling Rd (Princeton House File-card 474)

North

Owners and occupants:

George W. Keach built & lived [1870 map]

Otis Wood

Mrs. Durant

Charles N. Woodward & brother Byron [1898 map]

Richard H. Oehme

Henry J. & Vivian Lindberg

(Historical map references)

[1870 map O. Wood]

[1898 map Byron Woodward]

(Historical map references)

[1830 map Schoolhouse 4]

[1870 map Schoolhouse 4]

[1898 map Schoolhouse 4]

Schoolhouse 4 was located in this vicinity and later relocated to 198 Sterling Road]



159 Sterling Rd (Princeton House File-card 4750

East

Owners and occupants:

Amos Babcock 1795 from Dublin, N.H.

Leonard Babcock [1830 map]

Charles Chandler [1857 map]

Jonas H. Temple

Samuel Frost and others

J. Warren Kendall [1898 map]

J. Warren Kendall heirs Mattie A. Tenney et al. of Fitchburg

Harry and Carl Tenney 1949

Ernie Zottoli 1989 - bought

(Historical map references)

[1830 map L. Babcock]

[1870 map E. Frost]

[1898 map J. W. Kendall-Babcock Farm]

_Sterling Rd

(Princeton House File-card 476)

South

Built: c. 1840

Owners and occupants:

Charles Chandler built and lived

Mrs. Sarah Brooks, widow of John, owned

Charles Skinner

Joseph Stuart owned

Oscar Walters

Lucius J. Shepard - occ. also by daughter Natalie S. Clapp

Destroyed 1968

Site of Thomas Prince School

(Historical map references)

[1870 map C.P. Skinner]

___Sterling Rd

(Princeton House File-card 477)

South

Built: 1967-68

Thomas Prince School opened September 1968 addition built 1991

now houses K-8th grade



175 Sterling Rd (Princeton House File-card 478)

East

Owners and occupants:

Benjamin Gould Charles Folger

Various occupants

John Brannon of County Galway, Ireland

John Brannon heirs

Henry Brannon owned and let, up to 1907 (1904 to 1907?)

Levi Shepard

Walter Perkins

Gostat K & Helen M. Arnesen

(Historical map references)

[1830 map B. Gould]

[1857 maps John Brannon]

[1870 map J. Brannon]

[1898 map J. Brannon]

____Sterling Rd

(Princeton House File-card 479)

East

Built: 1948

Florence W. Erickson and William

___Sterling Rd.

(Princeton House File-card 480)

Built: c.1960 Ronald Shepard

183 Sterling Rd

(Princeton House File-card 481)

North

Built: 1952

Howard W. DeWitt Gerald Weaver

sold 1970 to Robert Jordan

___Sterling Rd

(Princeton House File-card 482)

South

Mobile home - 1970

Natalie Shepard Clapp

___Sterling Rd

(Princeton House File-card 483)

South

Built: 1949-50

Theodore & Evelyn Grover



198 Sterling Rd

Historic Name: Schoolhouse No. 4 C. 1836

House history researched by the Princeton Historical Commission 2007

(Princeton House File-card 484)

South

Built: c. 1800

No. 4 School house (1830, 1857 maps) - formerly on Lindberg side of the brook, moved

beyond L. Shepard, Alexander Simonatis remodeled 1949

Edward P. and Priscilla Foresteire - 1957

206 Sterling Rd (Princeton House File-card 485)

South

Built: c. 1963

Lloyd & Beverly Vanasse sold 1972 to Richard A. Meola

bought back

____Sterling Rd (Princeton House File-card 487)

South

Built: 1972

Edward & Irene Woods

224 Sterling Rd (Princeton House File-card 488)

South

John Lanpher c. 1967 built

228 Sterling Rd (Princeton House File-card 490)

South

James & Sally McGuire built c. 1968

____Sterling Rd (Princeton House File-card 491)

South

Harry & May Pearson

____Sterling Rd (Princeton House File-card 492)

South

Old Howe Place -

Eugene Buck lived here when it burned

Charles Whitney built c. 1955

-----Hovey

sold to Leslie C. Martin



Parker II Cemetery

Parker II Cemetery was originally named East Burying Ground. It comprises one and a quarter acres, and was the gift of Ebenezer Parker in 1831.



211 Sterling Rd

Historical Name: Parker Farm 1777

House history researched by the Princeton Historical Commission 2008

(Princeton House File-card)

North

Thomas Parker bought house and land 1777 of Elisha Hedge of Marlboro - built in 1790 brick house attached to little, original red one - kept tavern there

Deacon Ebenezer Parker, his son, b. 1750 d. 1839

assessor for 20 years - selectman & State Rep for 3 terms

Ebenezer Parker Jr. until 1818 - brick homestead burned 1835

Frederick Parker, son, with E.P. Jr. rebuilt on site 1837 (kitchen ell is part of original house)

Frederick Parker died 1883 - his daughter Eunice married Levi Cushman and lived in homestead

Harry Parker, nephew of Eunice

William O'Connor Sr. owned

William J. & Lois O'Connor 1946

Lois O'Connor 1960

Leonard and Mary Pat Morris bot c. 1988-89

(Historical map references)

[1830 map E. Parker]

[1870 map E. Parker]

[1898 map Levi Cushman]

___Sterling Rd (Princeton House File-card 493)

North

W. Merriam on 1830 map

cellar hole

____Sterling Rd (see 1 Town Farm Road) (Princeton House File-card 494)

Corner Town Farm Rd (1 Town Farm Rd)

Èast

Owners and occupants:

Eli Walker built and lived 1823

Nathaniel Wood

Jotham Howe

William A. Joslin

Mrs. William Joslin

Milton K. Howe 1901-1908

Milton K. Howe heirs 1909-10 Elin A.K. Sorblom bought c. 1925 Gus and Ida Sorblom 1960 Reginald Doherty c. 1966

____Sterling Rd (Princeton House File-card 495)

East

Owners and occupants:

Flavel W. Smith

Israel Howe

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Parker 1901 house gone - cellar hole visible

246 Sterling Road

see Esty Road







249 Sterling Rd (Princeton House File-card 496)

East

Built: c. 1775

Owners and occupants:

Thos. Parker sold to Jonas Smith with house and barn 1794

Ebenezer Smith son of Jonas Addison Smith, son of Ebenezer

Silas W.P. Harrington 1896

Staycha W. Harrington 1904

Staycha W. Harrington heirs 19907

Waldo Harrington Carl W. Jacobson

Wesley Trow c.1967

(Historical map references)

[1830 map E.B. Smith]

[1870 map F.W.Smith]

[1898 map S.W. Harrington]

261 Sterling Rd (Princeton House File-card 497)

Location: East Built: 1973 David E. Calcia





275 Sterling Road (Princeton House File-card 498)

Location: North
Owners and occupants:
Cyrus Smith
Washington Estabrook
Edward Estabrook
Fred L. Aldrich Thurston Buck
Morris Calcia c.1930
Lousia Calcia
Ernest Calcia -1954

(Historical map references)

[1830 map Estabrook's Tavern] [1870 map E.A. Estabrook]



287 Sterling Rd. (Princeton House File-card 499)

Location: North
Built 1904
Thurston Buck
Mrs. Lilla Buck, widow 1930
Harold E. Hunt 1948
Archibald Morse 1949
Eva Bennett



288 Sterling Road (Princeton House File-card 504)

Location: South
Barn – horses for mill
Offices & Post Office (W. Sterling) 1930
-- Backus c. 1951 fixed up as a house

(Historical map references)

[1898 map West Sterling P.O.]

Sterling Road

(Princeton House File-card 500)

Location: North Artemas Richardson

John Burthol-house burned (1830 map)

Fred K. Parker built new on site

Ephraim wilder E. Wilder heirs Thurston Buck 1918 Harry Buck 1931 Joseph & Susan Buck Gendron 1942 Robert Cook

Sold 1970

(Historical map references)

[1870 map E. Wilder]

Sterling Road

(Princeton House File-card 501)

Location: South

Harry T. Buck- John A. Davis of Sterling

Wallace C. Arnott

Harry C. & Vera R. Lyons Carlton & Hazel M. Day 1954

Sterling Road

(Princeton House File-card 502)

Location: South ---Jodrey 1969-1970 m. Carla Day

Sterling Road

(Princeton House File-card 503)

Location: North **BUCK'S MILLS** Artemas Richardson

John O. Burthol, house & factory --burned

Fred K. Parker

Ephraim Wilder built new mill

Thurston & Eugene Buck 1880-1915

Thurston Buck, admin. E.R. Buck 1905-1918

Thurston Buck 1918

Harry Buck 1930

John Davis of Sterling 1945

Met. District Water Supply Comm. 1948

Mill destroyed

Sterling Road

(Princeton House File-card 505)

Location: North Otis Felton Goodwin Wood

James O. Buck b. 1818 Eugene R. Buck 1901 Harold Benjamin Bourne Ethel Buck Bourne—widow Burton R. Gill-lives upstairs

(Historical map references)

[1870 map J.O. Buck]

Further research needs to be done to determine who owned the following two houses.



289 Sterling Road



299 Sterling Road

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