



James Sherburne Homestead, 57 Sherburne Road, Epsom, NH

The Moses family came to Epsom about 1760 and settled near Gossville. Son Samuel sold his lot there and bought lot 67 in the mountain district. Brothers Sylvanus and James remained in Gossville, Sylvanus living near the river and James on the hill which over looks Gossville. Samuel left Epsom selling his mountain district home to his brother James who passed it to his son Mark. James' daughter Betsey Sherburne Moses married David Sherburne and she inherited the hillside home. David died in 1856, and his wife in 1869. By the death of David, and according to the 1858 map, the home belongs to their son James Moses Sherburne, who with two wives, raised a large family having 13 children. His second wife, Lucy Coolidge Sherburne, outlived her husband by nearly forty years, and taught school at the Gossville School for many years, using a path from the home down over the hill to the school. She was left to raise her three children, the youngest remaining in the home with her until she died. This son, Albert David Sherburne, known as Bert, married Hattie Batchelder and they had one daughter, Nellie F. Sherburne. She lived unmarried until 1980 and the house was then owned by Alfred G. Bickford.

CHRONOLOGY of owners (not necessarily resident):

Original right of Nathaniel Johnson; 1758/1760, Property owned by Mark Moses; about 1789, James Moses; about 1819, David Sherburne; about 1856, James Moses Sherburne; by 1905, Albert D. 'Bert' Sherburne; about 1947, Nellie F. Sherburne; 1963, Alfred G. Bickford from Nellie F. Sherburne, Estate of Albert D. Sherburne, being the only heir at law of the said Albert D. Sherburne.

GENEALOGY: Mark Moses married Jane Wallace and had children: Samuel who married Bridget Weeks; Aaron who married Dorothy Sanborn; William who married Mehitabel Blake daughter of Samuel Blake and Sarah Libbey; Sylvanus who married Miriam Young; James who married Elizabeth Sherburne; and Jenny. James Moses and Elizabeth Sherburne had for children: Mark who married Betsey Cate, daughter of Deacon John Cate and Abigail Sherburne; James who married Betsy Chesley, daughter of Lemuel Chesley; Jane who did not marry; Betsey Sherburne who married David Sherburne; Mary who married John Morrison; and Sarah who married John Lake.

David Sherburne and Betsey had for children: William, James Moses who married John Sherburne Cate, Eliza, David, Sarah, Jane Moses, William, Mary Ann and Lucinda.

James Moses Sherburne married first Betsey Chesley Blake, daughter of James Blake and Jane Sherburne. They had for children: James Lewis, Edwin Moses, Lizzie Jane, Emeline Prescott, Charles

Henry who died young; Loretta Ann, Adele, Mary Esther, and Charles H. who died young. He married upon the death of his wife, Lucy Coolidge Bickford, daughter of Samuel Weeks Bickford and Lucy Learned. They had for children: Lucy Learned, Horace Bickford, Charles Henry who died young, and Albert David.

Albert David Sherburne married Hattie L. Batchelder, daughter of Alonzo Batchelder and Carrie E. Page. They had one daughter, Nellie Florence Sherburne.

