

DUBLIN, NEW HAMPSHIRE: HISTORIC RESOURCES INVENTORY

Cheshire County

1. Historic Name (s) LEARNED HOMESTEAD		22. Map & Lot No. 7 - 1	
Original Owner Benjamin Learned		23. Original Range/Lot IV - 9 - #2	
Present Name MAY COTTAGE		24. U.S.G. S. Quadrant (15'/75') Monadnock	
3. Owner's Name Richard & Ruth Hammond		25. UTM Reference 18 740040 4753100 Zone Easting Northing	
4. Owner's Address Upper Jaffrey Rd., Dublin, N.H. 03444		26. Zoning: Rural <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Village <input type="checkbox"/>	
5. Location Upper Jaffrey Road		27. Prehistoric Site Object Historic Site Structure Building X	
6. Open to Public Yes No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	7. Visible from road Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	B. Ownership Private <input type="checkbox"/> Local <input type="checkbox"/> State <input type="checkbox"/> Institutional <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	28. Significance Evaluation
9. Local Contact/Organization Dublin Conservation Commission		29. Theme Primary <u>Settlement</u> Secondary <u>Architecture</u> Other <u>Agriculture</u>	
11. Architect		30. Endangered Yes No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
12. Builder		31. Original Site <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Moved <input type="checkbox"/>	
13. Date c.1790		32. Major Alterations & Date c.1945-Restoration & Remodeling	
14. Style Cape Cottage		33. Owner Questionnaire Completed <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
15. Original Use Farmhouse			
16. Present Use Residence			
17. Condition Interior Exterior Good			

SKETCH MAP
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FOR #95

18. Description

Onetime farm complex of 18th Century house and long barn across driveway. 1 1/2-story frame (very narrow red-painted, clapboards) center-chimney "Cape Cottage" with 5-bay facade, tall proportions and narrow 9/6 windows; across the front is a long shed-type dormer with 6/6 windows, and one to rear on a long ell. Barn (part may be as early as 1782) has two large peaked gables and two elaborate cupolas. 1-1/2-story gables of the barn are flanked by 1-story wings containing garage and horse barns. Large barn door with narrow diagonal siding, old hinges. The complex is set on a level with open pastures leading to woodland.

19. History

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20. Significance

Well-preserved and characteristic, early Dublin "Cape Cottage" farmhouse, of the late 18th century. Secretary of the Treasury, Franklin MacVeagh used house as his office in summers from 1898 to 1930's, and barns were part of his Knollwood estate, thus identified with era of gentleman's-farm estates.

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21. Source of Information

History of Dublin, pp. 628, 809, 810
Deeds

34. Prepared by:

WM/WLB/LS

35. Organization

36. Date 8/15/79 & 10/25/80

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37. PHOTO L. SHONK, 8/79

Roll No. E
Picture No. 14
Direction FACING EAST -

I verify that the appearance of this structure has not changed since the photo was taken.

W. L. Barber 4/83

SIDE VIEW FACING EAST

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FACING NORTH

HOUSE FRONT FACING NORTH

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19. History

This house was the second of two 18th-century houses on the Learned farm, and it remained in the family for over a century. (The other is the present David Elder house, #93.) It was probably erected c.1790 by Deacon Benjamin Learned, (1741-1818), among Dublin's earliest settlers and one of the first two deacons of the First Congregational Church, and his sons Benjamin, Jr. (1767-1853) and John Wilson (1766-1855). It was later owned by John's son Calvin (1804-1880) who lived there until his death, and thereafter by his children, Mrs. A.Z. Mason, (1842-1883) and the Rev. John C. Learned (1834-1893), eminent Harvard-trained Unitarian clergyman who preached in St. Louis (1870-1893) and was influential in attracting prominent St. Louisans to the Dublin Summer Colony. The property was acquired c.1898 by Franklin MacVeagh, Sec. of the Treasury under President Taft, as part of his large estate, and the house used as his summer office.

Following MacVeagh's death in 1934, William and Barbara Holt bought this house and extensively restored it in a sympathetic manner.

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National Park Service

National Register of Historic Places
Inventory—Nomination Form

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Multiple Resource Area
Thematic Group

Name Dublin Multiple Resource Area
State Cheshire County, NEW HAMPSHIRE

Nomination/Type of Review

Date/Signature

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| 21. | Frost Farm
(Korpi Rd.) | Substantive Review | for Keeper | accept Patrick Andrews 12/18/83 |
| | | | Attest | _____ |
| 22. | Frost Farm
(Old Marlborough Rd.) | Entered in the
National Register | for Keeper | Melvin Byers 12/15/83 |
| | | | Attest | _____ |
| 23. | Gowing, James, Farm | Substantive Review | for Keeper | accept Patrick Andrews 12/18/83 |
| | | | Attest | _____ |
| 24. | Gowing, Joseph, Farm | Entered in the
National Register | for Keeper | Melvin Byers 12/15/83 |
| | | | Attest | _____ |
| 25. | Greenwood, Isaac, House | Substantive Review | for Keeper | accept Patrick Andrews 12/18/83 |
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| 26. | Greenwood, Moses, House | Entered in the
National Register | for Keeper | Melvin Byers 12/15/83 |
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| 27. | Ivanov-Rinov House | Substantive Review | for Keeper | accept Patrick Andrews 12/18/83 |
| | | | Attest | _____ |
| 28. | Lattice Cottage | Entered in the
National Register | for Keeper | Melvin Byers 12/15/83 |
| | | | Attest | _____ |
| 29. | Learned, Benjamin, House | Substantive Review | for Keeper | accept Patrick Andrews 12/18/83 |
| | | | Attest | _____ |
| 30. | Learned Homestead | Entered in the
National Register | for Keeper | Melvin Byers 12/15/83 |
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