

213 **BERGEN COUNTY STONE HOUSE SURVEY**  
INDIVIDUAL STRUCTURE SURVEY FORM



**GENERAL**

**HISTORIC NAME:** Demarest House  
**COMMON NAME:**  
**LOCATION:** 84 Jefferson Avenue  
(Block 59, Lot 36)  
**MUNICIPALITY:** Cresskill  
**OWNERSHIP:**  Public  Private  
**OWNER/ADDRESS:** William Brucato  
(same)

**REFERENCE**

**MAP REFERENCES:**  
 Erskine (1778-80)  
 Hopkins-Corey (1861) Geo. Demarest  
 Walker's Atlas (1876) Edmund Unkart  
 Bromley (1912) No name.  
 Other  
**RECOGNITION:**  
 National Register  BCHS Marker  
 HABS  Bailey  
 Other

**ENVIRONMENT**

**HOUSE ORIENTATION:** S 5° W  
**IMPORTANT RELATED STRUCTURES:**  
old frame garage  
**SURROUNDING ENVIRONMENT:**  
 Residential  
 Commercial  
 Agricultural  
 Open Space  
 Other  
**COMMENTS:**

**USE**

**ORIGINAL:** Residence  
**PRESENT:** Residence

**THREATS TO STRUCTURE:**

Roads  
 Development  
 Zoning  
 Deterioration  
 Other  
 No Threat  
**COMMENTS:**

**CONDITION**

**CONDITION:**  
 Excellent  Good  
 Fair  Deteriorated  
**STATUS:**  
 Occupied  
 Unoccupied  
 Work in Progress  
**ACCESSIBLE:**  
 Yes, Restricted  
 Yes, Unrestricted  
 No

This house has Victorian features.  
The fireplace has been removed and a  
second story has been added.

**PHOTO**



**MAP**



**DESCRIPTION**

**CONSTRUCTION DATE/SOURCE:**

1793/Tradition

**BUILDER:**

Probably a Demarest

**FORM/PLAN TYPE:**

Similar to "C", 3 bay, 1 room deep,  
(28'4" x 18'0")

**FRAMING SYSTEM:**

- Intermediate Summer Beam
- Intermediate Bearing Wall
- Clear Span
- Other

**EXTERIOR WALL FABRIC:**

Irregular sandstone blocks.

**FENESTRATION:**

Victorianized 31½" x 6'2"

**ENTRANCE LOCATION/TYPE:**

3rd bay from left (easternmost), simple style

**NUMBER OF STORIES:** 2-1/2

**CELLAR:**  Yes  
 No

**CHIMNEY FOUNDATION:**

- Stone Arch
- Brick Arch, Stone Foundation
- Other

**FLOOR JOISTS:**

**FIRST FLOOR CEILING HEIGHT:**

**FIRST FLOOR WALL THICKNESS:**

**GARRET FLOOR JOISTS:**

**GARRET:** second floor

- Unfinished Space
- Finished Space

**ROOF:** raised or rebuilt

- Gable
- Gambrel
- Curb
- Other

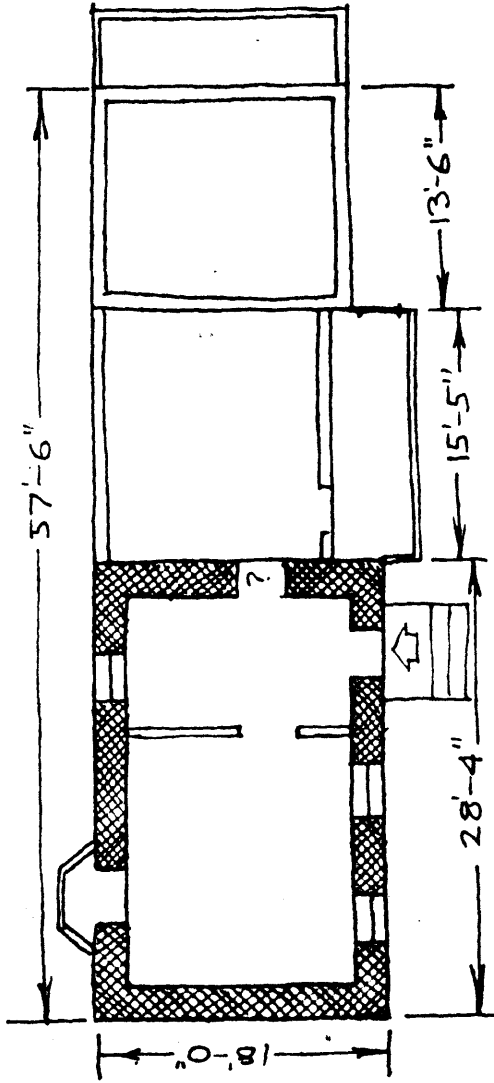
**EAVE TREATMENT:**

- Sweeping Overhang
- Supported Overhang
- No Overhang
- Boxed Gutter
- Other

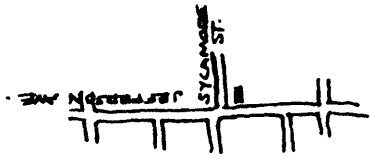
This house is locally known as the Atwood House, since Arthur and Daniel Atwood lived here. The latter was an architect and the grandfather of the present owner, Mr. Brucato.

This house, while having been altered through the years, still retains a sufficient amount of its original fabric that it should be recognized and retained. We are therefore including it for its architectural significance, for its association with the exploration and settlement of the Bergen County area, and for its remaining historic fabric. As such, it is included in the Thematic Nomination to the National Register of Historic Places for the Early Stone Houses of Bergen County, New Jersey.

FLOOR PLANS 213



Demarest  
1" = 12'-0"  
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**BACKGROUND INFORMATION**

VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION:

Block 59, Lot 36 - Cresskill Tax Map

Less than 1 acre

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