

DUBLIN, NEW HAMPSHIRE: HISTORIC RESOURCES INVENTORY

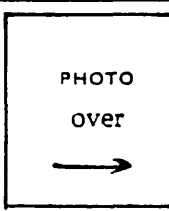
1. Historic Name (s) DUNSTABLE FARM/RUFUS PIPER HOMESTEAD		22. Map & Lot No. 7 - 9	
Original Owner Rufus Piper		23. Original Range/Lot IV - 7 - 1	
Present Name DUNSTABLE FARM		24. U.S.G. S. Quadrant (15'/75') Monadnock	
3. Owner's Name Delcie D. & Marilyn Bean		25. UTM Reference 1 8 7 4 1 2 6 0 4 7 5 3 2 5 0 Zone Easting Northing	
4. Owner's Address Box 230, Dublin, N.H. 03444		26. Zoning: Rural <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Village <input type="checkbox"/>	
5. Location Pierce Road		27. Prehistoric Site Object Historic Site Structure Building <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
6. Open to Public Yes No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	7. Visible from road Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	8. Ownership Private <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Local <input type="checkbox"/> State <input type="checkbox"/> Institutional <input type="checkbox"/>	28. Significance Evaluation
9. Local Contact/Organization Dublin Conservation Commission		29. Theme Primary <u>Architecture</u> Secondary <u>Crafts-farming</u> Other <u>Industrial invention</u>	
11. Architect _____		30. Endangered Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	
12. Builder Rufus Piper		31. Original Site <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Moved <input type="checkbox"/>	
13. Date 1817/1832		32. Major Alterations & Date 1832 - Front section 1921 - 1-story annex	
14. Style Federal & "Cape Colonial"		33. Owner Questionnaire Completed <input type="checkbox"/>	
15. Original Use Farmhouse			
16. Present Use Farmhouse/Residence			
17. Condition Interior Exterior good			

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18. Description
Handsome white frame, extended-plan farmhouse built in 4 sections, beginning nearest the road with a 2 1/2-story, central chimney, 2-bay Federal house with elliptical fan above doorway and sidelights (almost identical to doorways on James-Bauhan (#40) and Scribner (#57) houses, probably also the work of Rufus Piper). The front block (built 1832) is connected to a shingled barn by long 1 1/2-story dormered ell (once the original farmhouse, 1817) and single-story addition. Ell has a few narrow 9/6 windows, otherwise 6/6 windows predominate throughout. House is set on open rolling hillside with view to north.

19. History
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20. Significance
Classic early 19th-century New Hampshire farmhouse with connecting buildings and handsome proportions and detailing--the work of its first owner, Rufus Piper, a notably accomplished craftsman-builder of the period. Onetime home of Winslow S. Pierce, Jr., an inventor of the miniature precision ball bearing.



21. Source of Information
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34. Prepared by:
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35. Organization
36. Date 12/21/78 & 10/20/80

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37. PHOTO B. Harris 3/83

Roll No. AM
Picture No. 18A
Direction Facing northwest

HOUSE AND BARN FROM ROAD

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19. History

The present ell built in 1817 as his original farmhouse by carpenter-builder Col. Rufus Piper (1791-1874), who played a prominent role in town affairs as Rep. to the General Court (1838-40), Town Moderator for 15 years, Justice of the Peace, Commander of the Dublin Grenadiers, and Pres. of the Dublin Lyceum. Also served as chairman of the town's centennial in 1852. In 1832 he added the large front section to the house, but in 1837 moved into the village (present Scribner house, #57) and sold the farm to William Davis, Jr. (1797-1870), later a Selectman. (In the deed Piper reserved the right to move his "carpenters shop...within 18 months.")

After Davis's death in 1870 the place was sold to farmer and onetime shoemaker and manufacturer Horatio Greenwood (1814-1891), from whose heirs it was acquired by Boston industrialist Louis Cabot (Cabot Stains), as part of his vast, several-thousand acre game preserve and farm-estate complex.

Owned 1920-1963 by the family of Winslow S. Pierce of Bayville, Long Island, first as a summer residence, but converted to year-round dwelling by his son, inventor Winslow S. Pierce, Jr. (d. 1950) and his artist wife, Mary, the daughter of renowned portraitist and Indian painter George deForest Brush. Pierce was inventor of the miniature precision ball bearing and a founder of the company of the same name.

Current owner, Delcie D. Bean manages Canadian branch of D.D. Bean match company in Jaffrey.

21. Source of Information

History of Dublin, pp. 37-39, 476-78, 541, 592, 594, 627, 643, 739, 780, 863.

Forbes, Grace Pierce: data sheet, 1976.

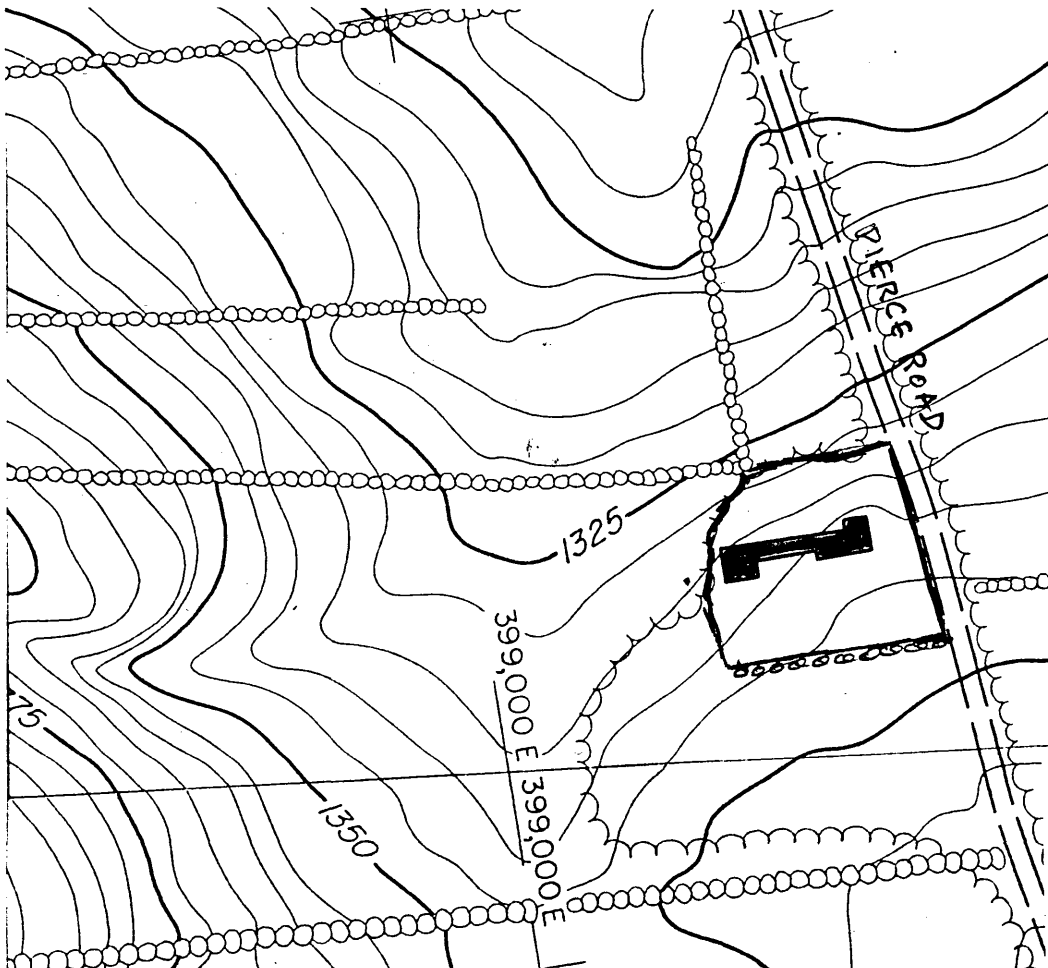
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Deeds

HISTORIC NAME:

Dunstable Farm

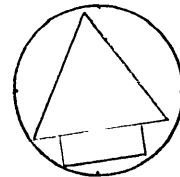


PROPERTY OWNER: Delcie D. and Marilyn Bean

SITE NUMBER: 29

PROPERTY NAME: Dunstable Farm

ADDRESS: Pierce Road



GENERAL DESCRIPTION:

Scale: 1"=200'

Bounded on north by stone wall, on west by edge of trees immediately behind building and by an arbitrary line from edge of trees to stone wall on south, and on east by Pierce road. 1.0 acres.

HISTORIC RESOURCES OF DUBLIN, N.H.

JUSTIFICATION:

Immediate visual surroundings incorporating the features contributing to the property's architectural and historical significance.

United States Department of the Interior
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

41. Mountain View Farm Substantive Review *for* Keeper accept Patrick Andrus 12/18/83

Attest

42. Parsons Barn *Substantive Review* *Not Eligible* *DOE/OWNER OBJECTION* *for* Keeper eligible Patrick Andrus 12/18/83

Attest

43. Parsons Studio and Casino *Substantive Review* *for* Keeper accept Patrick Andrus 12/18/83

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44. Perry, Ivory, Homestead *Entered in the National Register* *for* Keeper Shelous Byers 12/15/83

Attest

45. Perry, John, Homestead *Substantive Review* *for* Keeper accept Patrick Andrus 12/18/83

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46. Piper, Rufus, Homestead *Entered in the National Register* *for* Keeper Shelous Byers 12/15/83

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47. Piper, Solomon, Farm *Substantive Review* *for* Keeper accept Patrick Andrus 12/18/83

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48. Pumpelly Studio *Entered in the National Register* *for* Keeper Shelous Byers 12/15/83

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49. Richardson, Abijah, Sr., Homestead *Substantive Review* *for* Keeper accept Patrick Andrus 12/18/83

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50. Richardson, Deacon Abijah, House *Entered in the National Register* *for* Keeper Shelous Byers 12/15/83

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