

No. 181. From Tilton village towards Franklin, striking the old Tin Corner road (No. 9) at the base of Lot No. 68, Second Division. Said to have been built by subscription, about the year 1825.

No. 182. From the Square to Clark's Corner. 1838-40. (See pp. 203-205.)

No. 183. Articles of agreement recorded on the town books, May, 1839, between True W. Philbrook and other parties residing on the range, north, giving passageway for travel through his pasture and door-yard as at present between William Burleigh's and Barnard H. Burleigh's.

No. 184. Mosquito Bridge road, west, till meeting No. 25. Before or about 1840. (See No. 129, and pp. 199 and 249 [45].)

No. 185. From turnpike at Wiggin S. Gilman's, north end of town, to the Samuel Caverly place. Discontinued, 1873.

No. 186. Range road east from the late Jesse Sanborn place to connect with No. 37, at base of Lot No. 49, Second Division. Dates of opening the two last unknown.

To which might be added a few other highways, returns of which are not clearly recognized in the above catalogue, and are either not to be found upon the Town Records, or if so, have been overlooked by the author of this history; instance:—

No. 187. Road north of the Chapel to the present E. D. Weeks's (alluded to under Nos. 113 and 141); unless the old "driftway to Andover" (No. 76), from the Chapel Mills to the William (late Jerry) Weeks place included it, going thus far to the east before turning northwest.

No. 188. Road north of O. S. Sanborn's and Perry Colby's to the range; unless included in No. 82.

No. 189. North end of the lower Bay road, from the late John Sanborn's to Dea. Daniel Huse's, connecting No. 41 (or 86), east end, and No. 74.

No. 190. The branch of No. 74 that runs northeast to the David Smith place and Meredith town line, with which No. 160 was connected.

Several changes of highways have also failed to be noticed on the Town Records, like that in No. 7, on the Shute Hill, east of Clark's Corner; and that in No. 13, near the late Jerry C. Silver place, south-east of the Square.

APPENDIX E.

(See p. 257.)

DIVISION OF SANBORNTON.

AN address, with the above caption, to the New Hampshire State Legislature was drawn up during the June session of 1869, being virtually a remonstrance of the citizens of the old town against the division as at first proposed,—viz., on the fourth range line from Winnipiseogee River, yet so deflecting to the south, at the eastern extremity of that line, as to leave the Mosquito Bridge with the town of Sanbornton.

The address was printed on three pages of a sheet six and one half by ten inches, at McFarland & Jenks's Steam Printing Works, Concord, and in this form circulated among the members of the Legislature. That it had its influence, not indeed in preventing the division of the town, but in modifying the proposed boundary line, is shown on p. 257. Had the division been made as at first contemplated, the south part of the Square village would have been assigned to Tilton; the line running, as remarked in this remonstrance, only about sixty rods south of the old town house. Being divided as it was upon the third range line, at least seventeen hundred-acre lots above that line remain to the old town which would have fallen to the new, making the area of Tilton some 1,800 acres less, and of Sanbornton 1,800 acres more than that named in the remonstrance; or, assuming that the basis in that document is correct, leaving about 10,000 acres for the area of the present Tilton, and 24,689 acres for the area of the present Sanbornton.

The address (remonstrance) is here given in full, with no desire to parade the arguments by which the people of the present Sanbornton sought to maintain the geographical "integrity" of the old town, still less to rekindle any sectional differences which then may have been engendered; but chiefly for the *information* which the document itself contains, as confirming or supplementing the previous statements of this history. (See also Additions and Corrections, Appendix J.)

The town of Sanbornton and three hundred and thirty citizens of that town, remonstrating against its division as proposed in the petition of Alexander H. Tilton and others, feeling that the report of a majority of your committee is founded upon an insufficient and unsatisfactory investigation and consideration of the facts, resulting in a great measure from insufficiency of notice, as hereafter stated, and if adopted will operate unjustly and oppressively upon their most vital interests, earnestly solicit the attention of the Legislature to the following statement of facts proved before that committee:—

Sanbornton was incorporated in 1770.

Population of Sanbornton [same as given in Chap. XXXI. p. 326, from 1775 to 1860].

Sanbornton's proportion of public taxes in 1800, \$12.65; in 1808, \$13.83; in 1816, \$13.01; in 1820, \$12.39; in 1836, \$9.50; in 1856, \$7.14; in 1868, \$6.09,—showing a relative decrease of wealth and population in the last sixty years of more than one half as compared with the rest of the State.

Sanbornton contains 34,689 acres, equal to fifty-four square miles and one hundred and twenty-nine acres. If it were seven and one half miles square it would contain 36,000 acres, equal to fifty-six square miles and one hundred and sixty acres; so that the town is in fact less than seven and one half miles square by 1,311 acres, equal to two square miles and thirty-one acres, and only nine and one fourth miles from extreme point to extreme point, while the extent of the farthest inhabited portions is much less than that, and it is considerably smaller in territory than a large number of towns in the State, including many of the more wealthy and populous, as must be within the personal knowledge of most of the members of the Legislature, and as will be seen by an inspection of any map on which the boundaries of the towns are delineated.

By the proposed division the new town will contain	11,800 acres.
Leaving in the old town	22,889 acres.

The present town house is located three fourths of a mile south of the geographical centre of the town, and that distance nearer the proposed new town than to any other section of Sanbornton.

The proposed division line runs within about sixty rods of the present town house; and if the town be divided, as proposed, the old town will continue to occupy the old town house, as no other location will so well accommodate its inhabitants.

Valuation of proposed new town, polls and estate	\$375,978
Valuation of old town, if divided as proposed, polls and estate	\$395,331
Difference in valuation	\$19,353
Number of voters in Sanbornton	663
Number of voters in proposed new town	293
With a Democratic majority of	43
Voters left in old town	370
With a Democratic majority of	40

The valuation of seventy-seven polls—excess of voters in the old town above those in the new—is \$11,550, which deducted from \$19,353, the excess

of valuation in old town over the new, leaves the valuation of 22,889 acres of land, with the buildings thereon in the old town, only \$7,803 greater than the valuation of 11,800 acres of land, with its buildings, in the new town, provided the inventory of personal estate in the two proposed towns is substantially equal.

The population and wealth of the proposed new town have constantly increased since 1820; while the population and wealth of the remainder of the town have as constantly diminished since that period.

Of three hundred and eighty-seven buildings, designated on the map of Belknap County as occupied in 1859, in what will be the old town if the proposed division takes place, more than sixty-two have since been demolished, removed, or abandoned; so that in less than ten years, one sixth part of all the buildings in what will be the old town have ceased to be inhabited, while the farms connected with those buildings have been converted into pasture, or suffered to grow up to bushes. The decrease in population and in the value of real estate, by cutting off wood and timber, in what will be the old town, has been even greater than indicated by the abandonment of buildings.

If Sanbornton be divided as proposed, the new town will contain all the villages and possibility of villages, all the valuable water power and all the railroad and possibility of railroads, and all the capacity of future increase in population and wealth; while the old town will be left with a disproportionate share of expensive roads and bridges, a heavy burden of debt, and a continually diminishing population and property.

The extent of roads in what will be the old town is three or four times as great as in the proposed new town, in much worse condition, and far more expensive to keep in repair.

Large bridges in new town, as proposed	311½ feet.
Brook bridges in same	168 feet.
Total bridges supported by town in new town	479½ feet.

Large bridges in old town, as left if divided	387 feet.
Brook bridges in same	819 feet.

Total bridges supported by town in old town	1,206 feet,
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or nearly three times as great an amount of bridges as in the proposed new town, by actual measurement.

The present indebtedness of Sanbornton is about \$85,000

If this be divided as provided in the bill asked for by the petitioners, it will leave to be paid by the new town, \$41,035, and by the old town, \$43,965; or between eleven and twelve per cent of the entire valuation of polls and estate of the old town!

The amount of railroad tax received by Sanbornton on account of the location of the Boston, Concord and Montreal Railroad therein, in 1868, while the whole tax upon that road was only some \$8,000, was \$168.67. As the value and tax of that road increases, this local tax, on account of the right of way and buildings thereof, will be a perpetually increasing fund for the benefit of the new town.

The number of names upon the three principal petitions in this case is	173
Of these six signed the remonstrances	6
Left town since petition signed	11
Paupers	2
Signed twice	1
	<hr/> 20
Leaving on these petitions legal voters	153
Of these pay no tax whatever	13
Pay only poll tax	50
	<hr/> 63
Leaving on these petitions voters who pay tax on property	90
Valuation of proposed new town	\$375,978
Valuation of petitioners, \$143,180, less that of remonstrants, \$1,876	141,304
	<hr/> \$234,674
Leaving valuation of new town opposed to division	\$234,674
Whole number of voters in new town	293
Number of voters on the principal petitions	153
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Leaving legal voters in the new town not on these petitions	140

Six or eight voters signed a petition subsequently presented.

Only a small majority of the legal voters of the proposed new town ask the division, although the petitions signed by them contain an express provision that no petitioner shall ever be required to pay any portion of the expense of prosecuting them, *the funds necessary for that purpose having been raised by voluntary subscription!*

No one residing in what will be the old town has signed the petitions asking for a new town; but the voters there are almost unanimous against the division.

Of the citizens of Sanbornton, three hundred and thirty-two have signed the remonstrances, — fifty-five of them residing within the limits of the proposed new town.

Voters in old town almost unanimous against proposed division	370
Voters in new town not on three principal petitions (293 less 153)	140
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Total voters in both towns against division	510

or deducting those who signed subsequent petition, more than five hundred out of six hundred and sixty-three voters in the whole town are opposed to division.

The proposed division line is obviously made irregular and crooked for the purpose of leaving in the old town the Mosquito Bridge, four hundred and eighty-six feet in length, and a pauper-producing neighborhood in its immediate vicinity.

The voters on more than half the territory of the proposed new town out of Sanbornton Bridge village are better accommodated by the present town house than they would be by a new one at Sanbornton Bridge.

Valuation of new town, not asking for division	\$234,674
Valuation of old town, almost unanimously opposed to division	395,331
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Total valuation opposed to division	\$630,005

as against \$141,304 in its favor, as indicated by the principal petitions.

The town of Sanbornton had no notice of the petition until the month of April, and no action was had by the town till the eighteenth day of May, 1860, when, although the people in some parts of the town had no actual notice of the meeting, by a majority of fifty-one votes out of two hundred and sixty-one votes cast, they instructed the selectmen to employ counsel to oppose the division. Relying upon the advice of counsel that no legal notice having been given, no hearing at this session could reasonably be expected, the town made no preparation for a hearing until after the committee decided not to postpone the matter on Wednesday of the second week, since which they have not had time to make that preparation which the magnitude of the interests involved requires.

Distance from Sanbornton Bridge to town house by nearest road, less than three and one half miles; by one of the best roads in town, less than four miles.

The existence of any sectional hostility, or of any disposition to oppress, on the part of the people of what will be the old town toward those of the proposed new town, was fully disproved; and it was clearly shown that since 1860, town meetings in Sanbornton had been uniformly quiet and orderly, and no difficulty or disturbance whatever in the transaction of town affairs.

In view of the foregoing and a variety of other facts in evidence before the committee, the town of Sanbornton and a very large majority of her citizens feel that great and irreparable injustice will be done them if the prayer of the petitioners shall be granted, and their ancient, compact, well-accommodated, and highly respectable municipality be dismembered and forever destroyed.

APPENDIX F.

(See p. 333.)

TABLE OF LONGEVITY.

THIS will consist of an alphabetical list of persons known to have lived and died in the original town of Sanbornton who were each in their ninetieth (eighty-ninth) year or upwards at the time of their death, or who are now living at nearly or above the age of ninety years. Material for this list has been derived from the Genealogies (Vol. II.) and from other sources. The number following each designation is the year of age which the individual had reached, and which would have been or will be completed on the succeeding birthday. Of the total number given (eighty-four), fifty-five are females, and twenty-nine males; and of the females, fifty-three are widows.

Of the eight centenarians of Sanbornton (only two being *known* to have exceeded one hundred years), three are mentioned in Farmer and Moore's Gazetteer, published in 1823; and the fact is there or elsewhere stated that two of these, Mrs. Copp [19] and Mrs. Smart [71], at nearly the age of one hundred, were living together in the same house, — that of Solomon Copp, Jr., — the one being his own mother, and the other the mother of his former wife. This will be confirmed by a reference to the Genealogies, — at least the probability of the statement will be shown. That volume has been carefully searched, in order to make the following list as nearly complete as possible; but a few names, even there, may have escaped our notice.

1. BEAN, MRS. BETSEY (Bickford), widow of David Bean, 94. (Vol. II. p. 30 [39].)
2. BLODGETT, AMOS, 90. (Vol. II. p. 174 [152].)
3. BRIMHALL, MRS. SARAH (McDaniels), widow of Sylvester Brimhall, and former widow of Simon Gilman, 101 (100 years 21 days). (Vol. II. p. 306 [8].)
4. BURLEIGH, PETER, 92. (Vol. II. p. 66 [120].)
5. BURLEIGH, MRS. SARAH (Ames), widow of Wm. Burleigh, 90. (Vol. II. p. 61 [33].)
6. CALEF, SAMUEL, 91. (Vol. II. p. 83 [41].)

7. CAWLEY, MRS. ELIZABETH (Cole), widow of Jonathan Cawley, 91. (Vol. II. p. 87 [7].)
8. CAWLEY, MRS. POLLY (Shaw), widow of Rev. Benjamin Cawley, 90 (?). (Vol. II. p. 90 [32].)
9. CHAPMAN, ELISHA, 92. (Vol. II. p. 113 [23].)
10. CHAPMAN, MRS., widow, and mother of the preceding, 100. Said to have died in this town at about that age; traditional.
11. CHASE, MRS. MARY (Craighton), widow of Jonathan Chase, 90. (Vol. II. p. 122 [110].)
12. CHASE, MRS. PHEBE (Piper), widow of Dea. Wm. Chase, 91. (Vol. II. p. 115 [8].)
13. CLARK, MRS. CHARLOTTE (Burleigh), widow of David H. Clark, 90. Still living at Franklin Falls. (Vol. II. p. 141 [168].)
14. CLARK, DAVID, JR., 90. Still living in Tilton. (Vol. II. p. 139 [142].)
15. CLARK, MRS. JANE (Sanborn), widow of John Clark, 96. (Vol. II. p. 132 [42].)
16. CLARK, DEA. TAYLOR, 91. (Vol. II. p. 133 [71].)
17. CLAY, MRS. DOROTHY (Robie), widow of Stephen Clay, 92. Still living as the oldest person in Tilton, March, 1882, in the remarkable possession of her powers, both of body and mind. (Vol. II. p. 153 [34].)
18. COLBY, MRS. GRACE (Brown), widow of Barnard H. Colby, 89. (Vol. II. p. 174 [146].)
19. COPP, MRS. ELIZABETH (Davis), widow of Solomon Copp, 100 (less 13 days). (Vol. II. p. 182 [1].)
20. CRAM, MRS. RACHEL (Rundlet), widow of Wadleigh Cram, 90. (Vol. II. p. 188 [16].)
21. DUDLEY, SAMUEL C., 91. (Vol. II. p. 230 [12].)
22. DUDLEY, MRS. MERCY (Thorn), widow of the last, 97.
23. DURGIN, LIEUT. JOHN, 93. (Vol. II. p. 234 [43].)
24. EASTMAN, MISS, a sister of Ebenezer Eastman, 92. (Vol. II. p. 249 [2].)
25. EDGERLY, MRS. ABIGAIL (Gilman), widow of Jonathan Edgerly, 90. (Vol. II. p. 261 [1].)
26. ELLSWORTH, MRS. JANE (Randlett), widow of John Ellsworth, 90. (Vol. II. p. 266 [16].)
27. FOLSOM, JOHN, 96. (Vol. II. p. 281 [5].)
28. FORD, MRS. ELIZABETH (Hilton), widow of Wm. Ford, 93. (Vol. II. p. 283 [4].)
29. GAGE, THADDEUS, 92. (Vol. II. p. 290 [32].)
30. GORDON, MRS. ALICE (Copp), widow of Dea. Samuel Gordon of New Hampton, 99. (Vol. II. p. 183 [15].) Being a native of Sanbornton, she is now (March, 1882) its oldest inhabitant. A kind Providence having returned her for a temporary visit at Mr. Henry Q. Dalton's, East Tilton, at or near the very spot of her birth, she was there, on her ninety-seventh birthday (1881), called upon by many of her friends in Sanbornton and Tilton; and from these and others at a distance, she was made the recipient of as many dollars as she had seen years! Her ninety-eighth birthday was more quietly observed (her health being feeble) by a few friends at her boarding place, Mr. George J. Johnson's, in East Sanbornton, within a stone's throw of the spot where she taught her first school, three quarters of a century before!
31. HERSEY, MRS. POLLY (Smart), widow of Wm. Hersey, 95. (Vol. II. p. 340 [30].)

32. HOIT, MRS. ANNAH (Stuart), widow of Barnard Hoit, 97. (Vol. II. p. 361 [60].) At the age of ninety, she had just spun, woven, and made up a dress, which she finished the morning of her ninetieth birthday; and putting it on, she walked the same day the distance of one mile to visit her daughter, and returned.
33. HUTCHINS, MRS. HANNAH (Greene), widow of Col. Joseph Hutchins, and former widow of John Perley, 100. (Vol. II. p. 553 [9].)
34. JAQUES, MRS. ELIZABETH (Comer), widow of Simon Jaques, 90. (Vol. II. p. 395 [28].)
35. JOHNSON, MRS. MARY (Piper), widow of John Johnson, 91. (Vol. II. p. 403 [25].)
36. JOHNSTON, MRS. MERCY (Smith), widow of Bracket Johnston, 91. (Vol. II. p. 409 [1].)
37. KENISTON, WILLIAM, 93 (92 plus 20 days). (Vol. II. p. 414 [10].)
38. KIMBALL, MRS. MERCY (Judkins), widow of Lieut. Abner Kimball, and former widow of Anthony Colby, 99. (Vol. II. p. 417 [1].)
39. KIMBALL, MRS. RACHEL (Chase), widow of Joseph Kimball, 90. (Vol. II. p. 420 [38].)
40. LAKEMAN, MRS. MARGARET (Kimball), widow of Samuel Lakeman, Sen., 90. (Vol. II. p. 431 [1].)
41. LANG, MISS SALLY, 99. (Vol. II. p. 452 [4].)
42. LANG, STEPHEN, still (1882) living in Tilton, 90. (Vol. II. p. 455 [53].)
43. MARSTON, MRS. MOLLY, widow, 100. Is reported, only, to have died at the almshouse, about 1855 or 1856, at that age.
44. MORRISON, MRS. ANNA (Page), widow of Abraham L. Morrison, and former widow of John P. Morrison, now residing at Tilton village (March, 1882), the oldest resident there, 90. (Vol. II. p. 509 [176].) Like her venerable neighbor just across the river in Northfield, Mrs. Anna Tilton (Vol. II. p. 802 [74]), she rallied with wonderful vigor from an attack of pneumonia in the fall of 1881.
45. MORRISON, DAVID, 94. (Vol. II. p. 496 [34].)
46. MORRISON, MRS. HANNAH, widow of Ebenezer Morrison, and former widow of Dea. Benjamin Darling, 100. (Vol. II. p. 495 [23].)
47. MORRISON, JONATHAN, 89. (Vol. II. p. 498 [47].)
48. MORRISON, MRS. ESTHER J. (Perkins), widow of the last, 95 (94 plus 21 days).
49. OSGOOD, MRS. LUCY (Fogg), widow of Chase Osgood, 93. (Vol. II. p. 538 [14].)
50. PAGE, MRS. HANNAH (Batchelder), widow of John Page, 92. (Vol. II. p. 541 [10].)
51. PAGE, MRS. SUSANNAH (Percy), widow of Simeon Page, 94. (Vol. II. p. 540 [1].)
52. PALMER, MRS. ANNA (Sanborn), widow of Joseph Palmer, 96. (Vol. II. p. 543 [1].)
53. PERKINS, CAPT. JOHN B., 96. (Vol. II. p. 551 [17].)
54. PERKINS, LIEUT. JONATHAN, 92. (Vol. II. p. 550 [10].)
55. PHILBRICK, DEA. BENJAMIN, 95. (Vol. II. p. 559 [58].)
56. PHILBRICK, JOSIAH, 91. (Vol. II. p. 559 [70].)
57. PHILBRICK, MRS. SARAH (Page), widow of Benjamin Philbrick, Sen., 98. (Vol. II. p. 555 [6].)
58. PLUMER, MOSES, 94. (Vol. II. p. 581 [26].)

59. PRESCOTT, MRS. HANNAH (Thompson), widow of Asa Prescott, 89. (Vol. II. p. 592 [82].)
60. PRESCOTT, MAJOR JOSEPH, 90. (Vol. II. p. 587 [8].)
61. RANDLET, MRS. HANNAH (Ellsworth), widow of Reuben Randlet, 92. (Vol. II. p. 618 [8].)
62. ROLLINS, MRS. ELIZABETH (Smith), widow of Reuben Rollins, 94. (Vol. II. p. 611 [10].)
63. SANBORN, MRS. CATHARINE (Sattalce), widow of Nathan Sanborn, 100 (lacking 5 days). (Vol. II. p. 689 [718].)
64. SANBORN, JOHN, 93 (92 plus 9 days). (Vol. II. p. 673 [529].)
65. SANBORN, MRS. HULDAH (Smith), widow of Dr. Benaiah Sanborn, 97. (Vol. II. p. 639 [252].)
66. SANBORN, NATHAN, JR., 90. (Vol. II. p. 689 [720].)
67. SANBORN, MRS. PRUDENCE (Haines), widow of Col. Josiah Sanborn, 91 (90 plus 7 days). (Vol. II. p. 631 [117].)
68. SANBORN, MRS. TABITHA (Page), widow of Sergt. John Sanborn, 90. (Vol. II. p. 630 [112].)
69. SANBORN, MRS. TABITHA (Sanborn), widow of Josiah Sanborn, 91. (Vol. II. p. 667 [469].)
70. SANBORN, WILLIAM, 91. (Vol. II. p. 676 [563].)
71. SMART, MRS. SARAH, widow of Robert Smart, 101 (100 years and 8 months); being the oldest person known to have died in Sanbornton. (Vol. II. p. 715 [21].)
72. SMITH, MRS. AMY (Copp), widow of Jeremiah Smith, and former widow of Joseph Thomas, 99. (Vol. II. p. 735 [159].)
73. SMITH, MRS., widow of Reuben Smith, 95. (Vol. II. p. 736 [174].)
74. STEELE, BENJAMIN, 92. (Vol. II. p. 743 [1].)
75. THORNE, PHINEAS, 91. (Vol. II. p. 792 [9].)
76. TUCKER, MRS. SARAH (Fogg), widow of John Tucker of Gilmanston, and former widow of James Osgood and of Ebenezer Swain, 91. (Vol. II. p. 746 [43].)
77. WADLEIGH, JOSEPH, 93. (Vol. II. p. 816 [17].)
78. WADLEIGH, MRS. PHEBE (Dustin), widow of Dea. Joseph Wadleigh, 90. (Vol. II. p. 817 [31].)
79. WARD, DEA. GEORGE C., 94. (Vol. II. p. 829 [13].)
80. WEEKS, MRS. REBECCA (Sanborn), widow of Moses W. Weeks, 91. (Vol. II. p. 836 [84]; see also Deaths in "Supplement to Vol. II.")
81. WOODMAN, DEA. JOHN, 97. (Vol. II. p. 862 [81].)
82. WOODMAN, CAPT. JOSHUA, 92. (Vol. II. p. 860 [61].)
83. YOUNG, MRS. BETSEY (Lord), widow of John C. Young of Ossipee, 97. (Vol. II. p. 863 [89].) Additional.
84. LANG, MRS. NANCY (Dudley), widow of John Lang, 92; now resides (1882) with Stephen Lang, in Tilton; the oldest person but one in that town. (Vol. II. p. 454 [42].)