

organized. Shaftsbury and part of Arlington were included. The eastern bounds of the town, or county, or even the state were for many years indefinite, until Vermont became a state in 1791.

The first town meeting was held in May of 1773 at the home of Archibald McVicar, a half mile east of Waite's Corners.

White Creek was very aware of its identity as a community and agitated for separate status. At a special meeting of the inhabitants of White Creek, dated February 1, 1775, it is recorded in the old records that they "voted to petition the Assembly to set off from Cambridge." Finally in 1816, White Creek was given separate status. With its separation from Cambridge, White Creek followed its own course until the present day.

White Creek's history is laced with richness and color. Its present day inhabitants are aware of her lineage and hope that her antiquity will always be respected.

by Mary and Norman Gronning

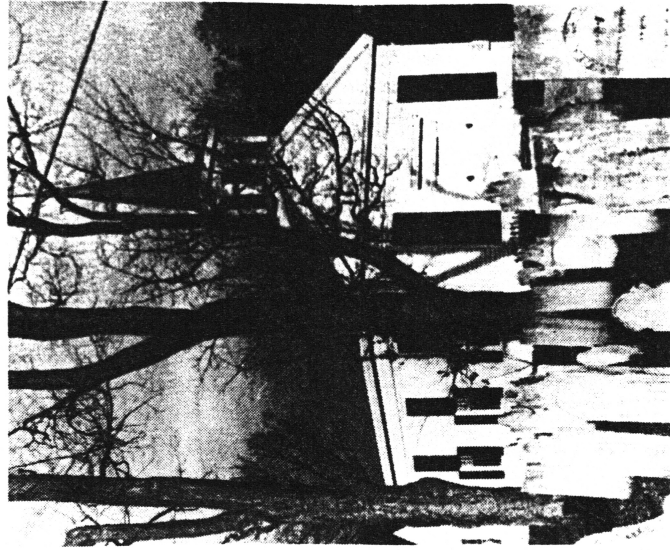
Paul Jones

Kenneth Gottry, White Creek Historian

#### KEY TO MAP OF WHITE CREEK

1. ASHGROVE METHODIST PREACHER'S SALT BOX HOUSE, c. 1795
2. J. DORR-RANDALL HOUSE—late 1700's
3. L. ASHTON HOUSE, c. 1825
4. MARBLE QUARRY
5. RUINS OF DWINELLS LIME KILN, c. 1775
6. RUSSELL HOUSE, c. 1789
7. SCHOOL HOUSE #3
8. FOWLER-DIBBLE HOUSE, c. 1785
9. BAPTIST CHURCH (Center White Creek), 1788-1808
10. AUSTIN HOUSE, c. 1795
11. WOODWORKING AND GRIST MILL
12. SCHOOL HOUSE #5
13. CENTER HOUSE, c. 1760
14. VANDENBURGH HOUSE, 1780
15. SPRAGUE-GRADNER-MEERWORTH HOUSE, c. 1771; 1813
16. SCHOOL HOUSE #2
17. WOOD-BARKER-MC CART HOUSE, 1804
18. BOWEN-PERRY HOUSE, c. 1765
19. VANCORLOER-LAKE-JONES HOUSE, c. 1711
20. WILCOX-LAKE-HEALEY HOUSE, c. 1788
21. E. ALLEN-BYARS HOUSE, c. 1765
22. QUAKER CEMETERY, c. 1800
23. E. AIKEN-TUDOR HOUSE, c. 1770

24. PAUL CORNELL-D. NILES HOUSE, 1772
25. DR. WILLIAM RICHARDS-MURPHY HOUSE, 1798
26. CHRISTOPHER ALLEN-TOWART HOUSE, 1772 (salt box)
27. JERMAIN METHODIST CHURCH, 1796
28. PIONEER JOHN ALLEN-GRONNING HOUSE, 1770
29. JOHN ALLEN, JR.-LATHAM HAT SHOP, 1780 (foundation)
30. JOHN ALLEN, JR.-LATHAM HOUSE, 1780-1840
31. SISSON-LOBDELL HOUSE, 1785
32. LAKE-GREENWOOD HOUSE, 1775; 1820
33. S. TABER-WILLIS HOUSE, c. 1830
34. W. H. TABER-GRONNING HOUSE, c. 1800
35. TABER MINERAL SPRINGS (Health Spa)
36. UNION ACADEMY, 1810
37. NILES-BENNETT-LATHAM HOTEL, 1775; 1840
38. H. O. ALLEN-NILES HOUSE, 1795
39. Z. ALLEN-FILMORE HOUSE, c. 1770
40. GREAT NORTHERN TURNPIKE



Baptist Church of Center White Creek, 1788-1808—one of the earliest Baptist Churches in the region. Elder William Waite original pastor and founder.