

Map 52

3 Room House & its Development From Early 1700's -1830.

Map 52 illustrates the layout of a typical house between the 1700's and 1830. Also shown is the development of a house over time. With the overlays flipped up you will find the base. This consisted of 3 rooms that a young man would construct once he is getting married. This house had basic features such as 3 hearths, an oven, a cupboard and storage under the stairs. You will notice the well is located out doors, and also the dump is located just out the back window. This is where the family threw their trash. With one overlay down the house has now increased with size. When the family grows, there is a need for more living space. New rooms including a utility room and wood shed are introduced. You will notice the well is located indoors. This allows for access of water much easier, especially with harsh weather conditions. With the overlays flipped down there is another addition. Now shown is a 5-room cape. The 5-room cape includes another bedroom and closets. Now homeowners started plastering garrets for bedrooms upstairs. In Brookfield there is one remaining 3-room house located on Route 9 and Mill Street junction.

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