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Fortified House and Garrison Description from Temple's 1887 History of North Brookfield

Garrison - Bullet proof houses that were dwellings constructed as follows: the frame, ie, the sills, posts, girths, and plates were of heavy hewn timbers. Instead of studs in the lower story, logs split in half and set upright, face and back alternately, so as to match by overlapping the edges. (Sometimes planks were used.) The space under the windows were filled with bricks or planks. the lathing was nailed to the logs on the inside and boarding in a like manner on the outside. The doors were planks and the windows had inside shutters.