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# Yesterday & Today

## The 57th Annual Established Edition

### Thank you

To the members of the community who kindly submitted photographs for our use;

To the sales, graphics, editorial, and all the staff at *The Monadnock Shopper News* for their hard work in making this section a success;

And to the 479 local businesses who purchased ads in this section, making it the largest Yesterday & Today section ever. Stop in and thank a few of them!

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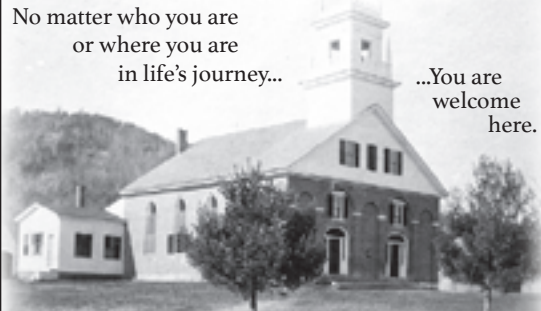
The society has now digitized well over 10,000 historical photos from its collections. These images are available for viewing on the public computer terminals in the library at the Historical Society. The society, located at 246 Main Street in Keene, is open to the public on Tuesdays, Thursdays, and Fridays from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., Wednesdays from 9 a.m. to 9 p.m., and on the first and third Saturdays of the month from 9 a.m. to noon.

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People staying at Tucker's Hotel in Peterborough bundle up for a sleigh ride in the late 1800s.

(Photo courtesy of The Monadnock Center for History and Culture)

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### Before 1800: Business In Keene

Early settlers, because of necessity, were mostly self-sufficient, making their own wooden dishes, pounding out their iron nails, making candles, spinning and weaving fabrics for their clothing, dyeing the same with vegetable dyes from the trees and flowers.

Rivers and brooks supplied the water power for mills which were the early factories, and the 60 proprietors of Upper Ashuelot (Keene) in September of 1735 voted to give 100 acres of "middling good land" and 25 pounds to any party who would build a sawmill. In 1736, such a mill was constructed by John Corbet and Jesse Root on Beaver Brook, near what is now Giffin Street, and in this same year it was voted to build a gristmill. These were the first industries in Upper Ashuelot.

(from Upper Ashuelot, a history of Keene, New Hampshire, by the Keene History Committee)

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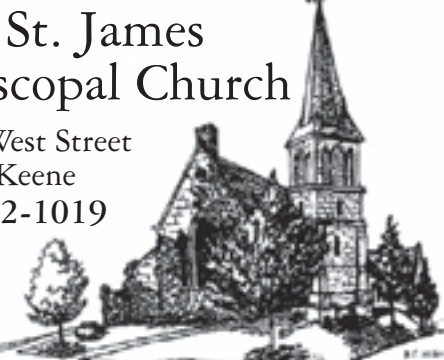


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