



Location Map Plympton landmarks

KEY TO MAP OF PLYMPTON LANDMARKS

1 TURKEY SWAMP

The large swamp which lies between Maple Street and County Road. The Plympton-Halifax line passes through the area. A good part of the swamp is in Halifax.

2 TURKEY ISLAND

Turkey Island is a piece of upland within Turkey Swamp. The Plympton-Halifax town line passes right over the so called island.

3 SMALL*POX GRAVE

The single grave of Isaac Loring aged 21 who died a victim of small-pox in the epidemic of 1777-78.

4 RIDGE, or KATO'S HILL

A series of relatively high hills off to the north of the Ring Road just beyond the Martin Hayward sawmill. The Indian tradition of the hills and the surrounding neighborhood is somewhat confirmed by the many arrow heads and stone implements found there.

5 SMALL POX CEMETERY

Several graves of the Plympton victims of the serious smallpox epidemic which ravaged Plympton and surrounding towns in 1777-78. Slate headstones mark the several graves.

6 JOSIAH WRIGHT'S LANE

The first road from the Plympton church to the Lakenham church passed through the farm of Josiah Wright. When the road was discontinued the part leading in from Elm Street to the farm continued in use, hence the name.

7 PROSPECT HILL

A high elevation over which the Middleboro road passes.

8 THE LOWLANDS

The extensive swamp and fresh meadow lands in western Plympton. The area extends into Halifax, Middleboro, and Bridgewater.

9 COLCHESTER SWAMP

The rather large swamp within the bounds of Palmer Road, Maple Street, Main Street, and Center Street.

10 RANDALL'S BOGS

The first cranberry bogs built in Plympton by George W. and Gilbert H. Randall. The first of these several bogs were built in 1890.

11 SNAPPIT

The area of Plympton land around the Parting Ways Road as it passes into North Carver. The Rickard brothers first settled there. Their ancestors were found living around this place up to the present generation.

12 Gordon and Shaw Bogs

The small cranberry bogs built around 1893 by Levi Gordon, G. Warren Shaw and Bartholomew Churchill. They have been greatly extended in recent years.

13 ROUND HOUSE

A round house built in 1857 by Zenas Washburn Jr. A square barn was added to make the buildings more unique. Mr. Washburn was a spiritualist, a fact which led to the house being called a haunted house.

14 WHITING FIELD

A large pasture field off to the north of Pleasant Street now overgrown to trees and bushes. It is now owned by Herbert Whiting, oddly not the original Mr. Whiting.

15 WOLF ROCK

A large rock carrying a doubtful tradition to the south of County Road as it bends towards the Halifax line.

THE NECK 16

A section of Plympton around the western ends of Center Street and Palmer Road. The name probably originated from Dunham's Neck south of West Street towards the Halifax line. The name was commonly used during the 19th century. Little used after 1900.

17 Smallpox Cemetery

Dea. Timothy Ripley and ~~others~~ buried here. ~~Smallpox~~ ~~standish~~