

Seats of Jaffrey Government

A Talk by Robert Stephenson

on the occasion of the opening of the new Jaffrey Town Offices in 2025.
Given at the Jaffrey Historical Society Annual Meeting, August 14, 2025.



Wright Tavern. Location of first Town Meeting, September 14, 1773. Gilmore Pond Road at Jacquith Road.

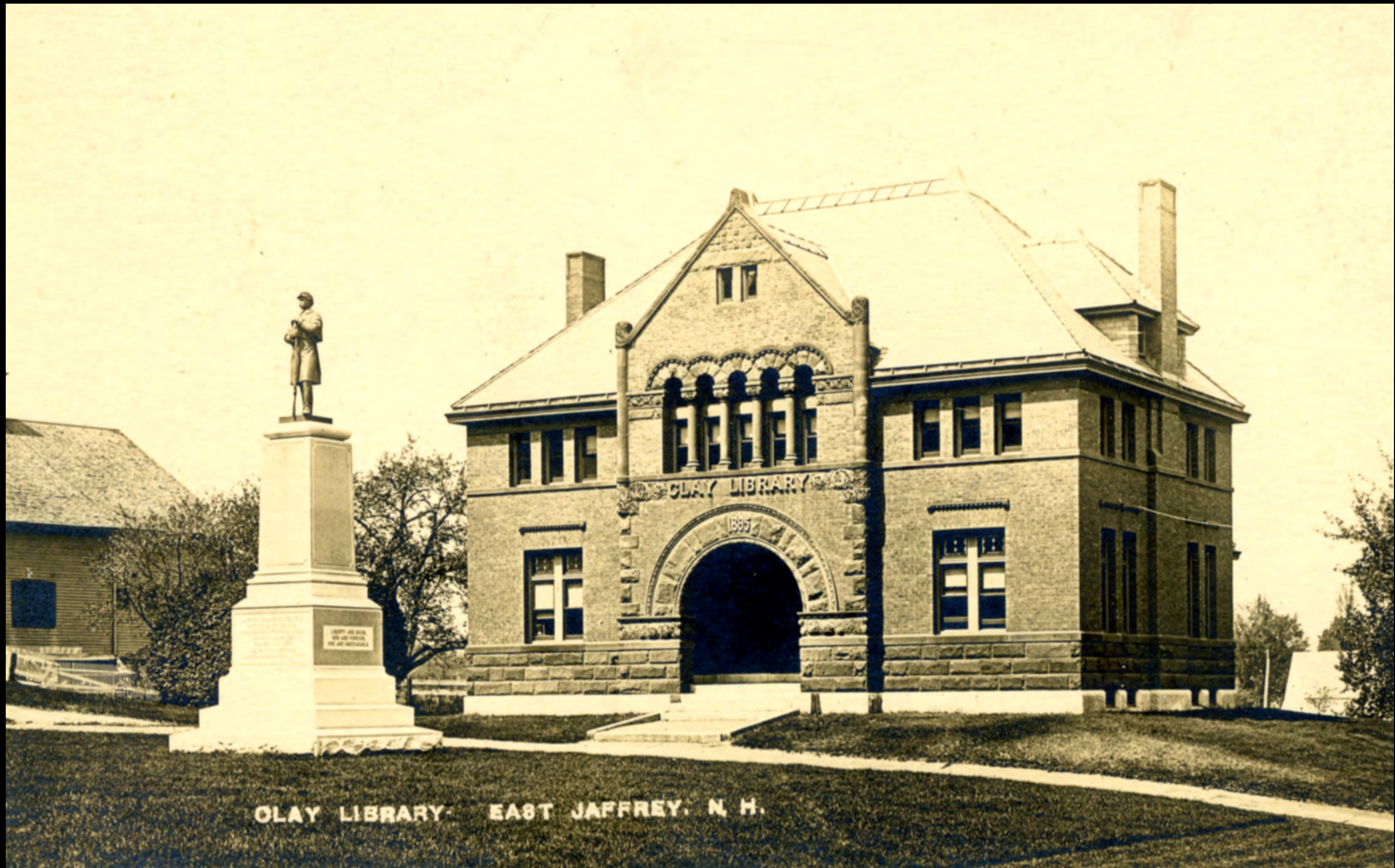


The Meetinghouse. Location of Town Meetings from 1775-1914.
Town offices on second floor from 1870 to 1896.



Moving the voting place from Jaffrey to East Jaffrey. March 10 1914. By Louis Cournoyer

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The Jaffrey Library. Town Offices were located on the second floor from 1896-1955.

The Town Vault
on the second
floor of the
Library.





Town Offices from 1955–1995.



Town Offices from 1995–2025.
Formerly the lumber department of Goodnow's Dept. Store.



Town Offices from 2025.
Formerly TD Bank.



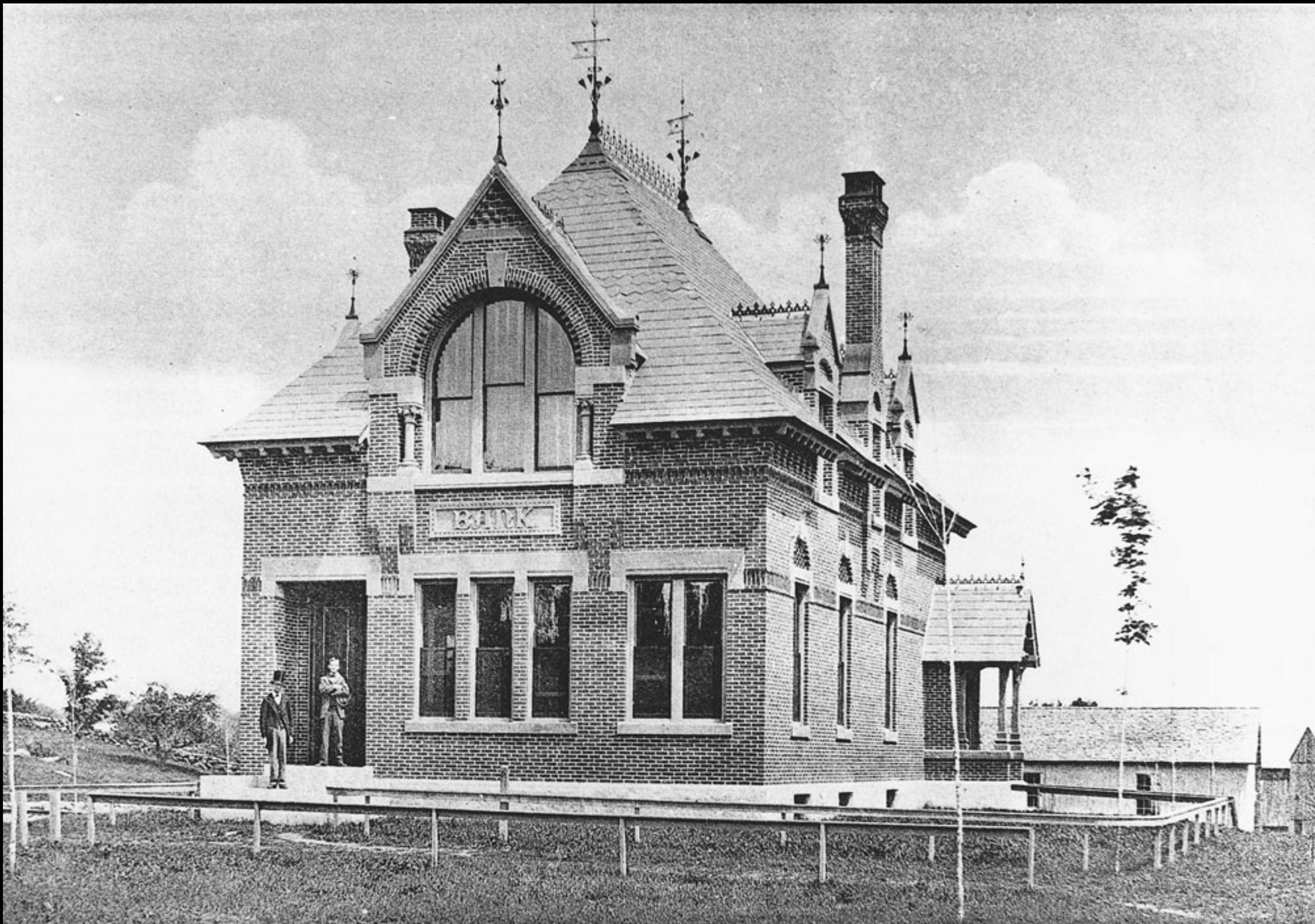
Monadnock Bank, Granite State Hotel and the Jaffrey Mills. Ca. 1880.



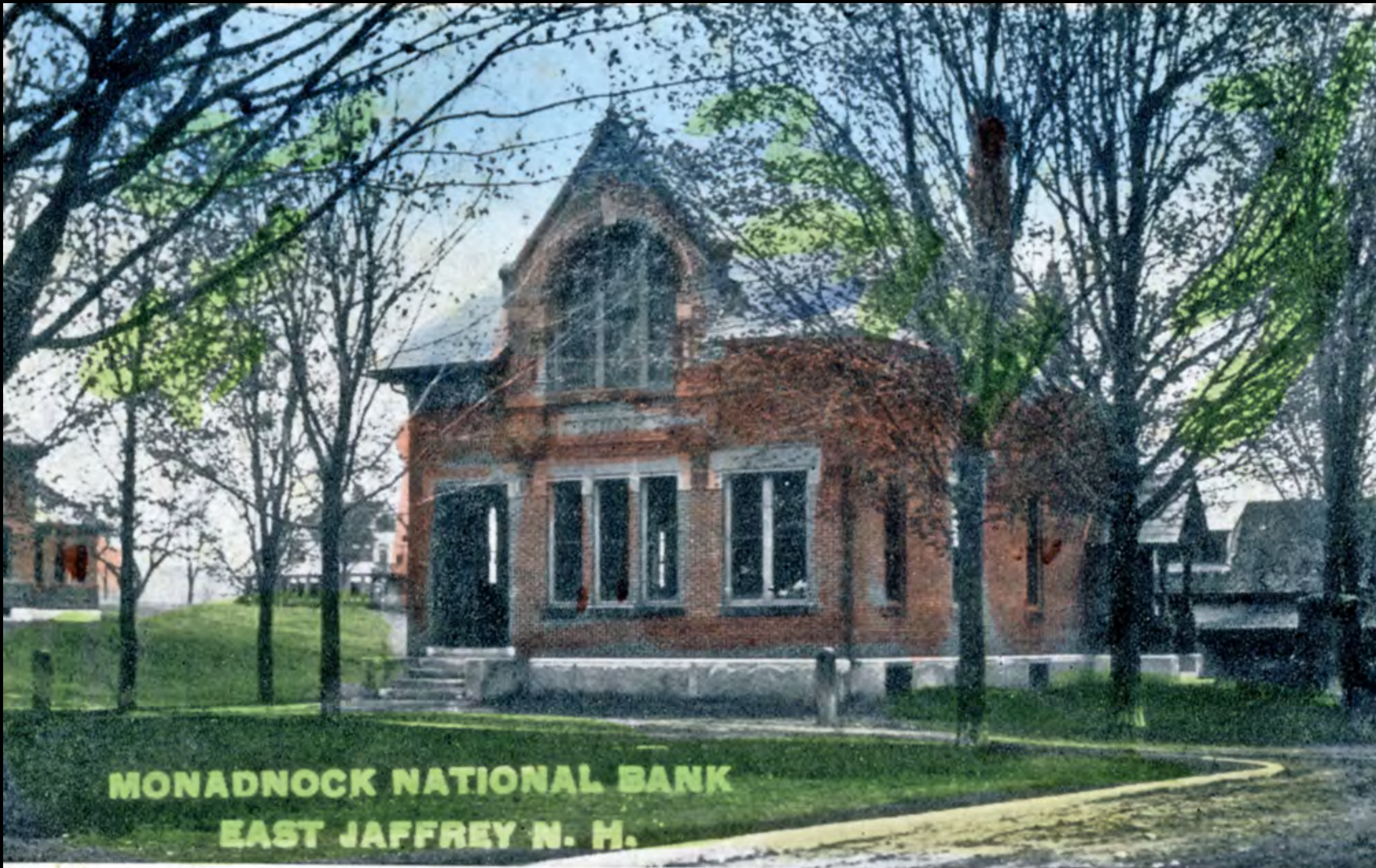
Monadnock Bank, Town Office and the Jaffrey Mills. 1994.



Monadnock Bank. Mr. Rich and staff.



Monadnock Bank. Ca. 1880.



Published by Duncan, The Druggist

Monadnock Bank. Ca. 1900.



The Chimney—the only trace of the original Monadnock Bank.



The original Granite State Hotel, built in 1859, burned in 1875.



J A French, Photographer, Keene, NNH

GRANITE STATE HOTEL, JAFFREY, NEW HAMPSHIRE

The third Granite State Hotel, built in 1877, burned in 1923.



Schoolhouse and Union Hall, built in 1854.
Town meeting was held here 1915-1937.



Union Hall and Conant High School, East Jaffrey

Town Meeting was held in Union Hall 1915-1937.



Town Meeting was held in the auditorium of the Jaffrey Grade School from 1939-1955.



Town Meeting was held in Pratt Auditorium at Conant High School from 1956 to the present day.



Town Offices from 1955–1995.



The former Town Office, now Jaffrey Police Department.
Built in 1955 at a cost of \$56,526.76.



The residence of Julius E. Prescott on Turnpike Road.



The residence of Julius E. Prescott on Turnpike Road (1994).