

The Ezra Haines House
Rancocas, Burlington County, New Jersey

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Owner: Maurice E. Lundy

Date of Erection: Early nineteenth century; rain
water conductor is marked 1830

Architect:

Builder:

Present Condition: Very good

Number of Stories: Two and one-half

Materials of Construction: Foundation - stone

Exterior walls - brick; Flemish
bond front

Interior walls - plaster

Inside brick chimneys

Roof - pitch with peak
gable recent addition

Historical Data:

The land upon which this house stands originally belonged to Dr. Daniel Wills, Sr., one of the ten original proprietors by purchase in 1681. It remained in the Wills family until 1800. It was sold by Samuel Wills to Ezra Haines in 1829 for \$1400 together with all the houses, outhouses, and stables on

the property.

Woodward records that there was but one house in the village in the early nineteenth century, and that a one story building owned by Samuel Wills occupied by Jacob Cowgill as a dwelling and weaver's shop. He adds that the property was enlarged and beautified by the late Ezra Haines.

The executors of Ezra Haines sold the property to William S. Martin in 1883, and from Martin it came into the possession of Spencer Haines in the same year.

Andrew J. Jordon, Sheriff, sold the property to Maurice E. Lundy in 1912.

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