

Baker House
Mountain Avenue, Head of Jerusalem Road
Scotch Plains, Union County, New Jersey

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Owner: Catherine A. Delatour

Date of Erection: About 1800

Architect:

Builder: Jonathan I. Baker

Present Condition: Good

Number of Stories: One and one-half

Materials of Construction: Foundation - stone

Exterior walls - frame
construction

Interior walls - plaster

Inside brick chimneys

Roof - pitch

Historical Data:

About 1800 Jonathan I. Baker built this house for his son Jesse Clarke Baker. Jesse died before his father who was one of the administrators of his estate. The property came into the possession of Jesse's son also a Jonathan I. who sold in 1841 to Ezra Drake. According to the search of records after that date the property changed hands nearly every year until Warren Ackerman obtained possession in 1867.

The administrators of the estate of Warren Ackerman sold to Valentine Kutscha in 1914 from whom Jessie Leslie bought in 1921. The present owner purchased from her in 1924.

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