

Van Epps House  
Fultonville, Montgomery County  
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Owner:

Builder:

Date of Erection: c.1800

Present Condition: Good

Materials of Construction: Frame

Additional Data: See next sheet.

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Montgomery County, N.Y.

In 1750 John Evert Van Epps settled at the present site of Fultonville, which then became known as Van Epps Swamp, from the marshy land hereabout. Mr. Van Epps bought 900 acres of Johannes Visger, comprising all of what is now Fultonville.

The Van Epps were patriot soldiers and their house was burned twice during the Revolution.

The sixth generation of the Van Epps family now occupies this homestead, which has been in the family 175 years. On October 24, 1781, the Tory-Indian Raid under Major Ross and the Tory Captain, Walter Butler, reached the Mohawk at the noses and vanguarded the south shore road to below Amsterdam, a distance of 18 miles, the next day being defeated on the battlefield of Johnstown. As the enemy came down the southside, John Van Epps mounted a horse and galloped east over the highway to Amsterdam. He warned all settlers, who escaped to the woods and there were no fatalities east of the present Fultonville.

Reference: Green's "The Old Mohawk Turnpike", pages 101 and 103.