



## REV. HUMPHREY MOORE HOME

ELM STREET



Rev. Humphrey Moore was born in Princeton, Mass., Oct 19, 1778. He came to Milford in 1802, and was the first settled clergyman in the town. On April 5, 1803 the Rev. married Hannah Peabody, third daughter of William Peabody, the son of one of the original settlers of the town. In 1804 he bought the tavern and 104 acre farm from Thaddeus Grime upon which he settled and remained the rest of his life. He would later add more than 300 acres of non taxed (ministerial property was not taxed) land to his holdings. Parishioners feared that he would extend his boundaries until all the land in town would be non-taxable.

His house on Elm street was built in 1820. There was once an underground passageway leading from the cellar towards the river. Tradition is that it was used as an Underground Railroad station.

Rev. Moore, a strong abolitionist, was elected by antislavery men to the House of Representatives in 1840 and to the New Hampshire State Senate in 1841; in both places he “gave stirring orations against slavery.”