

[Ticonderoga, Essex Co.]

Old Marker Unearthed in Making School Land Survey

A relic of days long since passed was discovered when Captain W. G. Watts, a civil engineer of Silver Bay and Ticonderoga, surveyed all lands owned by the schools of the village of Ticonderoga, with the purpose of setting concrete corner posts to mark the boundary lines of all school property.

At the northwest corner of the site of the Weedville school in West Exchange street, in excavating to set a concrete marker, a cedar post was struck by the spade about 2½ feet below the surface of the ground. It proved to have been the corner post of an ancient survey coming in the identical spot of the present survey, and doubtless covered over in grading the lot. Investigation of the ancient records of the town showed that at one time, nearly century ago, the land was the site of a Universalist church and thus far no old resident has been found who has any idea of what ever became of the old church.

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[from a column titled South Ticonderoga.] Frequently I am indebted to Lawyer Peter Flint of Schenectady for matters concerning events of the olden days. He noticed about *The Sentinel* being unable to find any one recalling much about the old Universalist church in Weedville, consequently wrote: "But how many know the inscription that was over the front door of that old white Universalist church described on page five of *The Sentinel* of May 25th? viz, 'Have we not all one Father'. It influenced my whole life, Mrs. Moses, and my father was always hospitable to the poor, tired Jewish pack peddlers who came through the old Vineyard, and he must have read and heeded that old inscription." Ditto! the same was done at my old home, my parents never turned one from our door and I recall some of them and they were gentle, kindly people, thoughtful of us children and most appreciative of my parents' hospitality and kindness.

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