

From Sarah Brown McCulloch's *Guilford: A Walking Guide* (2012):

Ebenezer Hopson, 55 Boston Street, Colonial, 1764.

Little is known about Ebenezer Hopson, but he was innovative enough to use a gambrel roof, rare in Guilford, on his otherwise traditional Colonial house and to welcome the Reverend Jessie Lee, who in 1789 in this house preached the first Methodist sermon delivered in Guilford. The simple but elegant Greek Revival doorway, with its row of little pegs (guttae) at the top of each pilaster, and a delicate cornice were added about 1841. A Victorian porch shown in a 1909 photograph was removed sometime after 1946, and small paned windows like the old ones have replaced the modern sash.