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State of Connecticut CONNECTICUT HISTORICAL COMMISSION 59 South Prospect Street, Hartford 06106

HISTORIC RESOURCES INVENTORY: **Buildings & Structures**

SURVEY OF GUILFORD, NEW HAVEN COUNTY, 06437 June-December 1981

FOR OFFICE USE ONLY Town No .: Site No : UTM QUAD: IF NR SPECIES Actual Potential

212 Clapboard Hill Road (map 75, lot 23)

2. NAME (historic) NAME

Caleb Dudley III

(common)

3. USE

(historic) USE

Private house with apartment

4. IF MOVED, WHEN AND FROM WHERE:



5. ARCHITECT

6. DATE

Probably c1764

BUILDER Colonial

7. ALTERATIONS Rear shed and east extensions added.

DESCRIPTION

8. NOTABLE FEATURES Massive chimney; 12/12 sash. Well preserved with wood clapboards and cedar shingles. The Connecticut Historical Commission's inventory of 1972 remarks that the roof has a "respectable" sag.

9. ARCHITECTURAL-HISTORICAL
The date of 1764 is assigned to this house because that it the year in which Caleb Dudley III, who is known to have built it, was married. About 70 years later a fire damaged the front door, and it was replaced by the present Greek Revival doorway, built by George Bushnell, master builder to the Dudley's of Clapboard Hill (see No. 205, the Henry Dudley house). Much has since been added and subtracted. In 1894 a pantry and sinkroom were removed from the rear and turned into a chicke coop, while a 1 1/2 story ell was built in their place for a kitchen. In 1958 this in turn was removed and a small addition put on for a bathroom. The last surviving hand-split clapboards were taken off at this time to make way for a screened porch, and the house was then painted red, which was thought to be its (cont'd. on next sheet)

Tercentary Committee; Dorothy Whitfield Society '76; Connecticut Historical Commission '72; Colonial Dames; Joel E. Helander, Guilford Long Ago, Vol. II.

SOURCES

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GUILFORD SURVEY

ADDRESS 212 Clapboard Hill Road
NAME(S) Caleb Dudley III

9. ARCHITECTURAL-HISTORICAL cont'd.

original color.

At one time the farm was the Maple Shade Dairy which later moved to the Post Road where for many years it was a well-known local institution.