

Walk Into History

MONADNOCK REGION

1. Hannah Davis

Resourceful and beloved lady who made the country's first wooden bandboxes for hats.

2. Amos Fortune

African-born slave, 1710-1801, who purchased his freedom, established a tannery and left money for the Jaffrey church & schools.

3. Hinsdale's Auto Pioneer

George A. Long in 1875 built a steam-propelled four wheel automobile with a fifth wheel for steering. The auto was fired by hardwood charcoal and could go 30 miles per hour.

4. Stone Arch Bridge

This twin arch structure was built without Mortar and was held up by expert shaping of the archstones. These bridges are an important part of our heritage.

5. Uncle Sam's House

Samuel Wilson was known as "Uncle Sam" and he supplied beef to the Army in 1812. He had U.S. stamped on his boxes of beef and because of this people called him Uncle Same.

6. Factory Village

Great Falls of the Contoocook are near here and the river drops 75 feet in less than a mile. This is the site of one of the first cotton mills in New England and also the Monadnock Paper Mills.

