

GARDINER HOUSE, 2072 MAIN STREET, FORESTER'S FALLS

This is one of the older homes in the village, dating to 1885. Even the most antique structures don't go back further than 1870, when a bush fire that began a few miles away consumed the entire village. An older cabin on the site was built by William McLeese, who built the first dam at the falls, and the first road over the creek, and who took over the flour and grist mills from Oliver Forester. He also built a sawmill at the other end of the pond. William's grandson, John, has written a book about his boyhood in the village, called "Memories of Forester's Falls."

