

Edward Hinkley House

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Dear Sir:

Many thanks for your kind invitation to your tree trimming party. I find it just a little too difficult to attend, but would enjoy spending a few moments in Waukesha as there are just a few old acquaintances of mine still living there, and I always enjoy visiting there...

I just received a letter saying - there is a plaque on the old lime stone house 2 miles north of Eagle on the Eagle-Dousman road. - that states, the house was built in 1855.

The letter does not state - whether or not the builders name was on the plaque. I would like to find out who gave the information. I know I wrote the Society at one time about that home and I have always known since a boy that my father built the house and that he started it in 1858 - had the cellar in and walls all up to window sills when war broke out, in 1860.

Father left then and enlisted in Milwaukee and served 4 years in service. On returning he again went to work on the house and in 1866 the house was completed. In about 1880 the farm was sold to Henry Earl (Carl) (who was raised by grandmother Hinkley). He lived there until 1904. In 1894 Father built a large frame house  $\frac{1}{4}$  mile north of the stone house - where we children were all born, in our old log house.

Now I understand the frame house has been moved south to the John Agathon farm - (mile north of the village of Eagle).

I think this plaque should be corrected, but what date should it be given I believe the oldest house standing in the town of Eagle today is the large brick home  $\frac{1}{4}$  mile south of Jerico corners - owned by Nelson Rockefeller's sister. Would be glad to hear from you at any time about this.

Sincerely,

E.H. Hinkley