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On behalf of the Cobblestone Society Museum of Albion NY and the Landmark Society of Western NY, I am compiling an extensive html Info Base of all cobblestone structures in New York state to be made available on the internet. This is based on several sources; books (1944 & 1966) by Rochester architect Carl Schmidt, an in-depth Survey with detailed documentation and 3500 photographs by Robert Roudabush 1976-1980, and the recent extensive web blog of about 500 structures with about 1300 photographs by Richard Palmer of Syracuse.

The Info Base is designed to be a repository of all known and found information on cobblestone structures in New York, to expand in the future to North America. About 700 cobblestone structures exist in New York. The number of structures lost to history are unknown.

The reason for my inquiry is that I am trying to determine the status and location of a small cobblestone farm structure located north east of Weedsport on highway 31 supposedly between the street addresses of 2825 and 2887 North Street, Route 31. Roudabush provides an owner's name of Donley (circa 1976-80) describing the 15 by 22 foot building as a stable.

Attached are pages documenting this structure printed from the Info Base. The top row of four photographs are circa 1976-80. The two overgrown photographs were likely taken within the last decade. Palmer states that the structure is associated with the residence shown in the last photograph. Roudabush documented the Brutus Town map location of the building as item 20 near the junction of Rt. 31 and Towpath, and states "It is in the back of the property, and is not easily visible from the road."

We would appreciate any time and effort you can make to determine the status and exact location (street address) of the structure, even if it has been demolished. If it still exists, a recent digital photograph would be appreciated, especially the front of the structure. Please reply to my email address glawrence1@rochester.rr.com, or the above mail address.

This is entirely a volunteer effort for which, as a member of the Cobblestone Society Museum, over 500 pro bono hours of my time and effort have been expended to-date, as well as that of several other volunteers.

Best Regards,

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