

24-CHARLES HOAGLAND PLACE

This beautiful house on Ridge Chapel road just over the Marion line in the town of Williamson is now owned by John Scully of Rochester, although it was in the Hoagland family for many years. The tenants are the Douglas Dewitts. The interior has been restored to early nineteenth century decor. Where the bay window now is there was once a huge fireplace. The long stones which were probably used as anchors for the scaffolding are present on the back south side.

STONES: The lake stones of which most are red but some white measure $1\frac{1}{2}$ - 3 x 2.

JOINTS: The horizontal V is 3/4 - 1 inch and the vertical joints are pyramids and V's. A course measures $2\frac{1}{2}$ -3 in.

MORTAR: The red mortar is fine texture.

QUOINS: Quoins are the regular tooled type of limestone although red stones were used at the back.

LINTELS: Red stones with white streaks vertically laid were used as lintels.

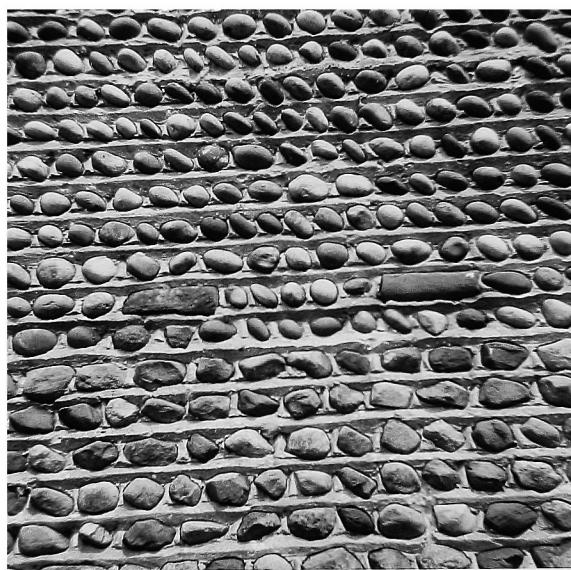
BACK: Large field stones were used at the back.

is unusual for an older type dwelling, for the upstairs windows were more often made smaller.

The woodwork of many of these old homes is of chestnut, such as is in the Jordon Place on Alderman Road. This is interesting to note because of the blight which has swept the chestnut trees in recent years.

On one of my trips I was told that the masons used a few large stones placed at intervals along one course which passed straight through the wall, not only to tie in the veneer of small stones but also to be used as a scaffold holder. It seems reasonable that they could be used for scaffold riggings because of their parallel position and the force they could withstand. A good example of these tie-in stones may be seen in the front of the Hanagan Place. Check the Appendix for a picture of two of these stones found in a wall of the Hoagland House.

Apparently, the old time owners were happily contented with and liked their cobblestone buildings. This is evident because of the many cobblestone additions found on the original cobblestone houses. I can recall only a few places having a foundation with a cobblestone exterior. For the most part, the foundations are of cut limestone. Why this should be I can find no reason and is the more odd when one considers the countless cobblestone foundations found under frame houses. Indeed, these foundations have more





Lake-washed cobblestones on top half of the picture and field cobblestones on bottom half. Also, note the anchoring stones in the center of the picture. The Charles Hoagland house in Williamson Township.