

This unassuming, two-story, frame duplex actually contains the remains of the only surviving Elkridge schoolhouse. Elkridge

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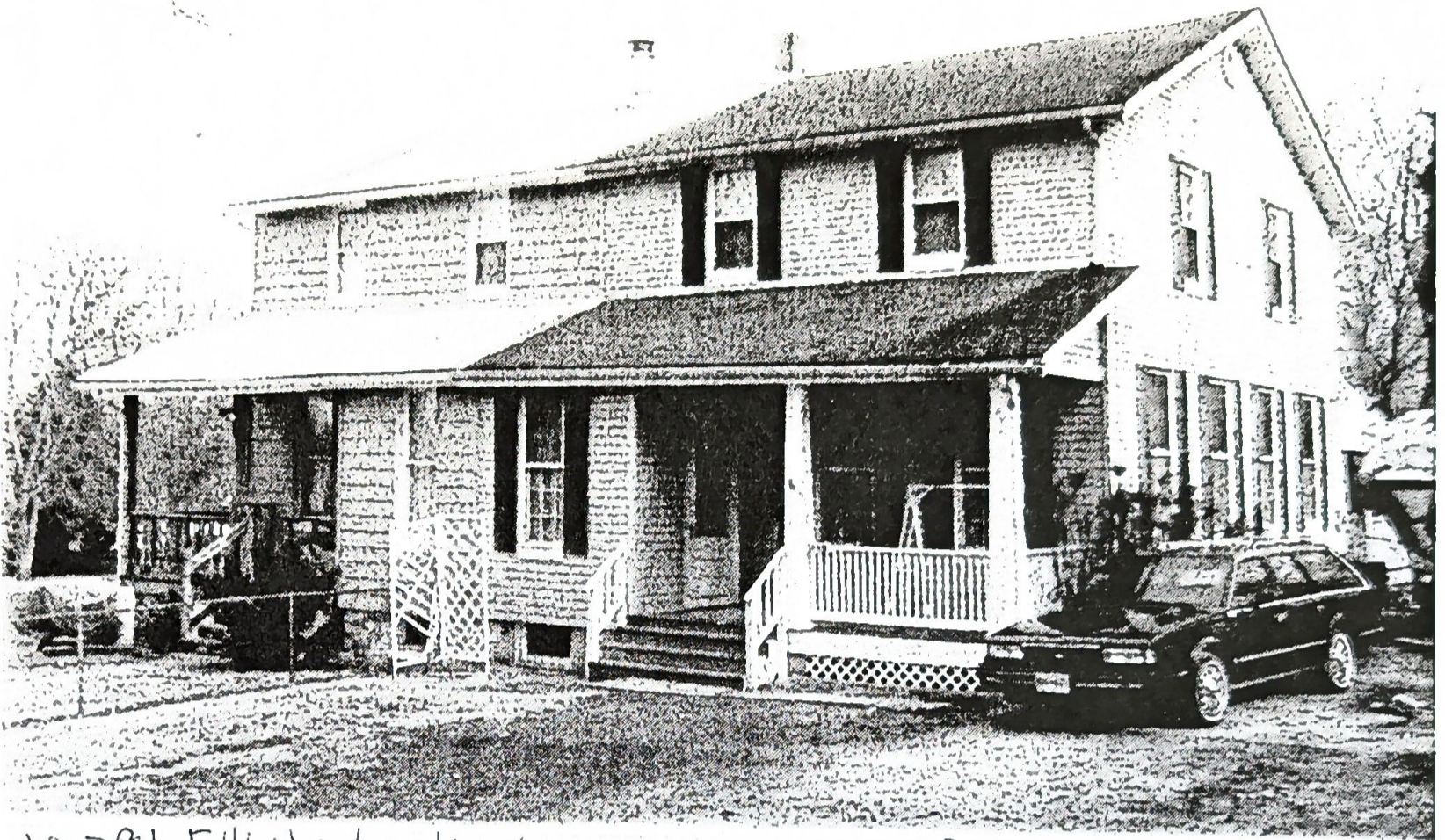
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Duplex

Young's home
this side



H0-784 Elkridge Landing Survey District 5760 Railroad Ave, old schoolhouse, NW elevation (top) and North elevation showing original 9/9 windows on first floor (bottom).

Kristin Hill, 3/03





Property of Edna Harman

1907

W. G. TOLBART
GENERAL BOOK STORE
BOSTON, MASS.

This could be the Newell Church
owned public school on Railroad Ave

Unidentified school



formerly schoolhouse some
former old public schoolhouse

Duplex



5764 this side

Young's house first



HO-784, Elkridge Landing Survey District 5760 Railroad Ave, old schoolhouse, NW elevation (top) and North elevation showing original 9/19 windows on first floor (bottom).

Kinsten Hill, 3/03





Young - left
Schoolhouse - R
Butler - right
now Gibson left

duplex - early school

Schoolhouse Lane