

COTTAGE OCCUPIED BY H. SPIERS



THE GARDNER HOMESTEAD.

Brown. This house was used as a meeting-house by the Wesleyan Methodists after Mr. Silverthorne came into possession of it.

A grist mill wan built in 1844, but was burnt down shortly after, and the present mill erected on its site.

Another old landmark is the cottage that is still standing, and until recently occupied by Mr. Richard Hill, then in possession of a family by the name of Idle.

The first store was erected in 1848 by James Ward, about where Mr. Lambe's house now stands.

In 1851 a schoolhouse was built, the location being the cottage until recently inhabited by the late Mrs. Rankin. The present schoolhouse dates from 1874. This was also used as a meeting-house by the religious enthusiasts of that day, until 1863, when the present church was dedicated.

Now we will glance for a moment at the business growth of the village. Somewhere about 60 years ago, a Mr. Silverthorne erected a saw-mill, now done away with, and the grist mill now standing. The present



THE RESIDENCE OF W. WATT.