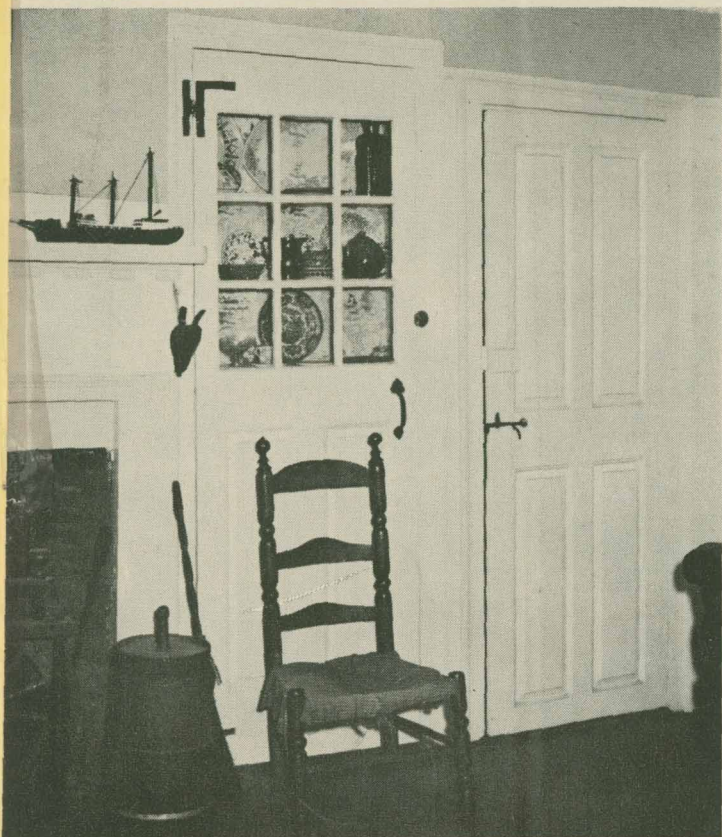


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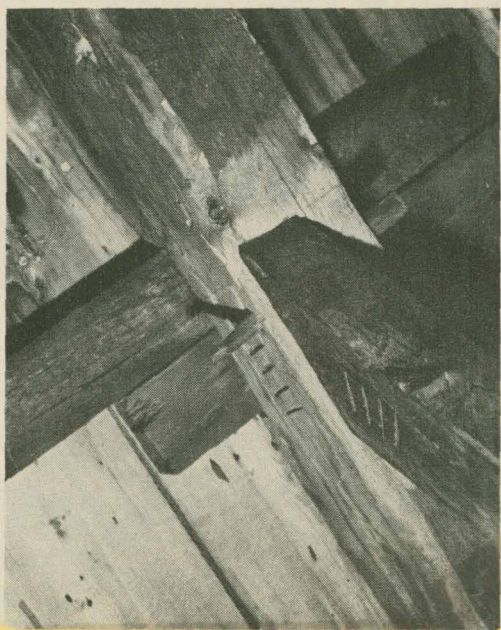
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The Oldest House in Provincetown

■ THERE ARE MANY LOVELY CAPE COD houses in Provincetown, Massachusetts, but the only one open in its entirety to the public during the summer months is the one owned and occupied by Mr. John W. Gregory. Built in 1746 by a ship's carpenter with wood from salvaged ships, it happens also to be the oldest house

in town. Herewith, for those of you who can't make the Cape this summer, is a brief tour . . .

(Photo #1) Built in the center of the house, as an anchor against severe storms, is the massive central chimney — all handmade English bricks used as ship's ballast on the voyage to this country. The mortar

was made from burnt clam and oyster shells pulverized and mixed with sand and water. Note nine-over-six-paned windows. There are no nails in them — just wooden pegs in the corners.

(Photo #2) The house abounds with fine panelling, valuable panes of Sandwich glass and original Holy-Lord (HL) hinges. These hinges