

Colonial Meeting Houses of New England

A Book Project and Exhibition
by Large-Format Photographer

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When they were built in the 1700s, Colonial Meeting Houses were the center of both religious and civic life – concepts that were not at all separate in colonial New England.



Cohasset, Massachusetts

Colonial Meeting Houses of New England

Many were built with tax money, and their simple, undecorated architecture reflected the desire of the early Puritan settlers to live simple lives apart from the Church of England.



Danville, New Hampshire

Colonial Meeting Houses of New England

Yet these were their “cathedrals,” built by hand without adornment, except for the wonderful woodwork.



Danville, New Hampshire

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The Colonial Meeting House Project began in 2004, and has evolved into an artistic study of these fascinating structures.

What follows are examples of the photographs to be included in the proposed publication and traveling exhibition.



The Artist at Work



Sandown, New Hampshire



Sandown, New Hampshire



Fremont, New Hampshire



Sandown, New Hampshire



Danville, New Hampshire

I have a sense of wonder
whenever I visit one of these places.

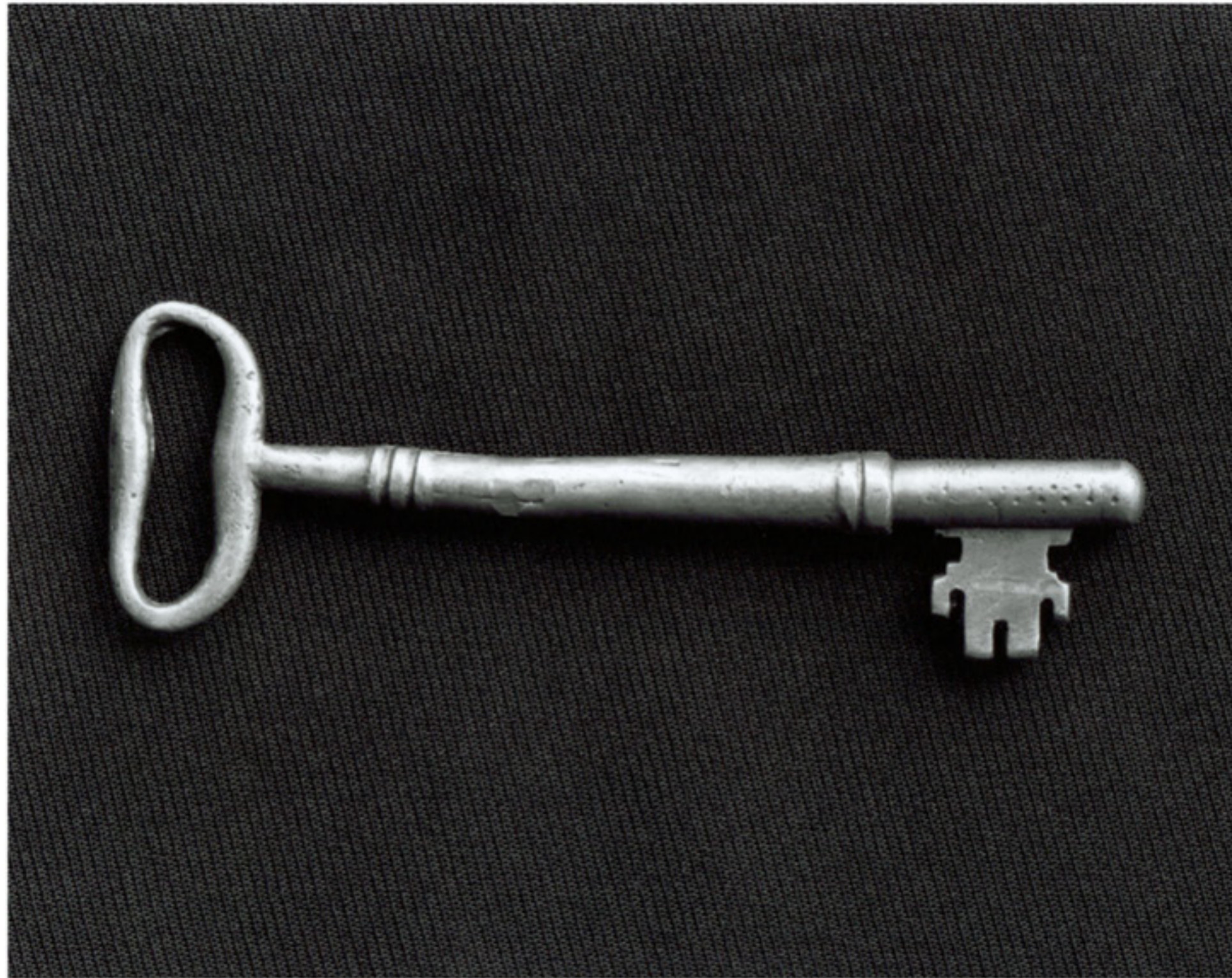
They are filled with space and light,
and stand as memorials to
the people who came before me.



Amesbury, Massachusetts



Foster, Rhode Island



Millville, Massachusetts



Webster, New Hampshire



Brooklyn, Connecticut



Millville, Massachusetts



Millville, Massachusetts



Danville, New Hampshire



Cohasset, Massachusetts



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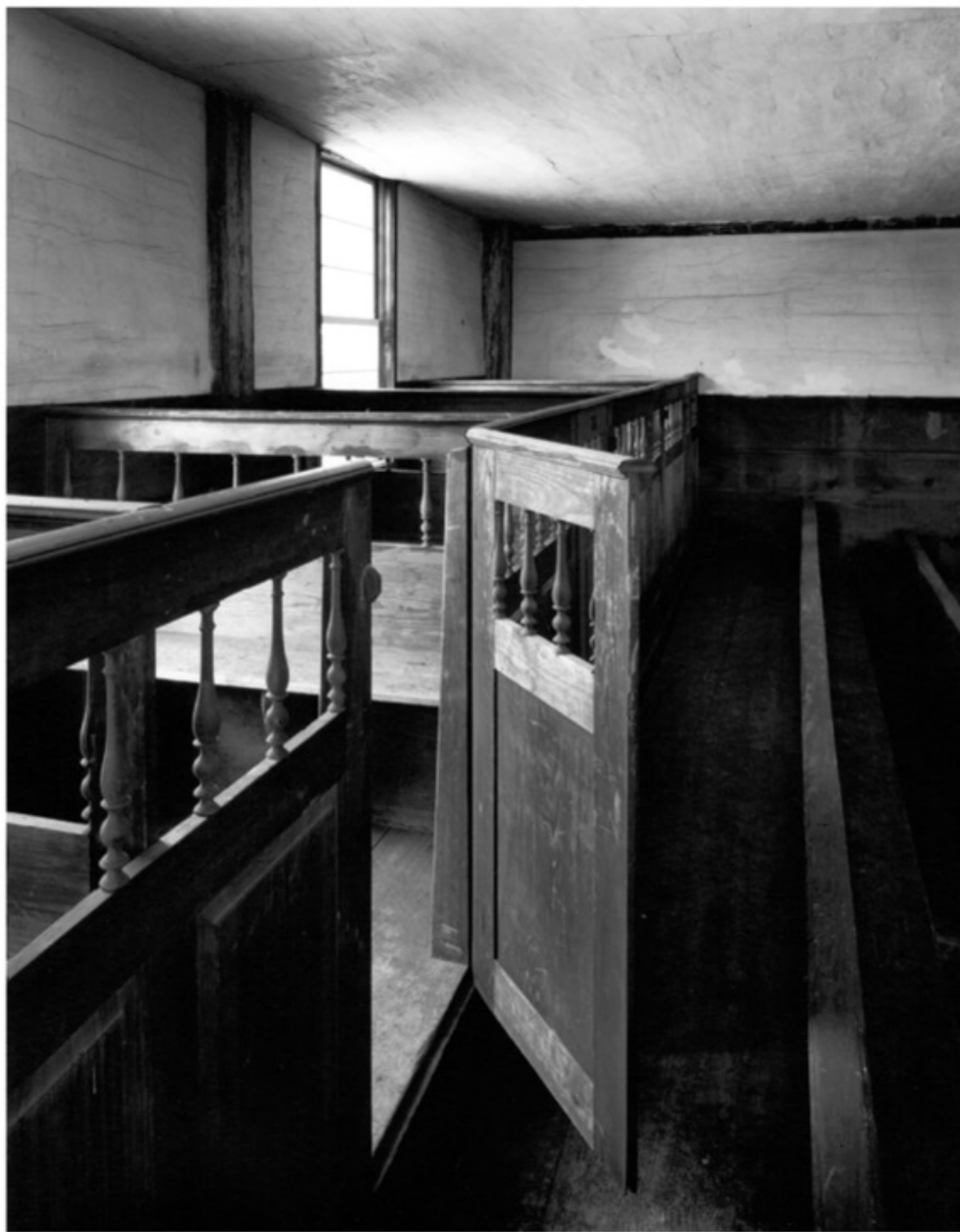
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Cornish, New Hampshire



Danville, New Hampshire



Amesbury, Massachusetts



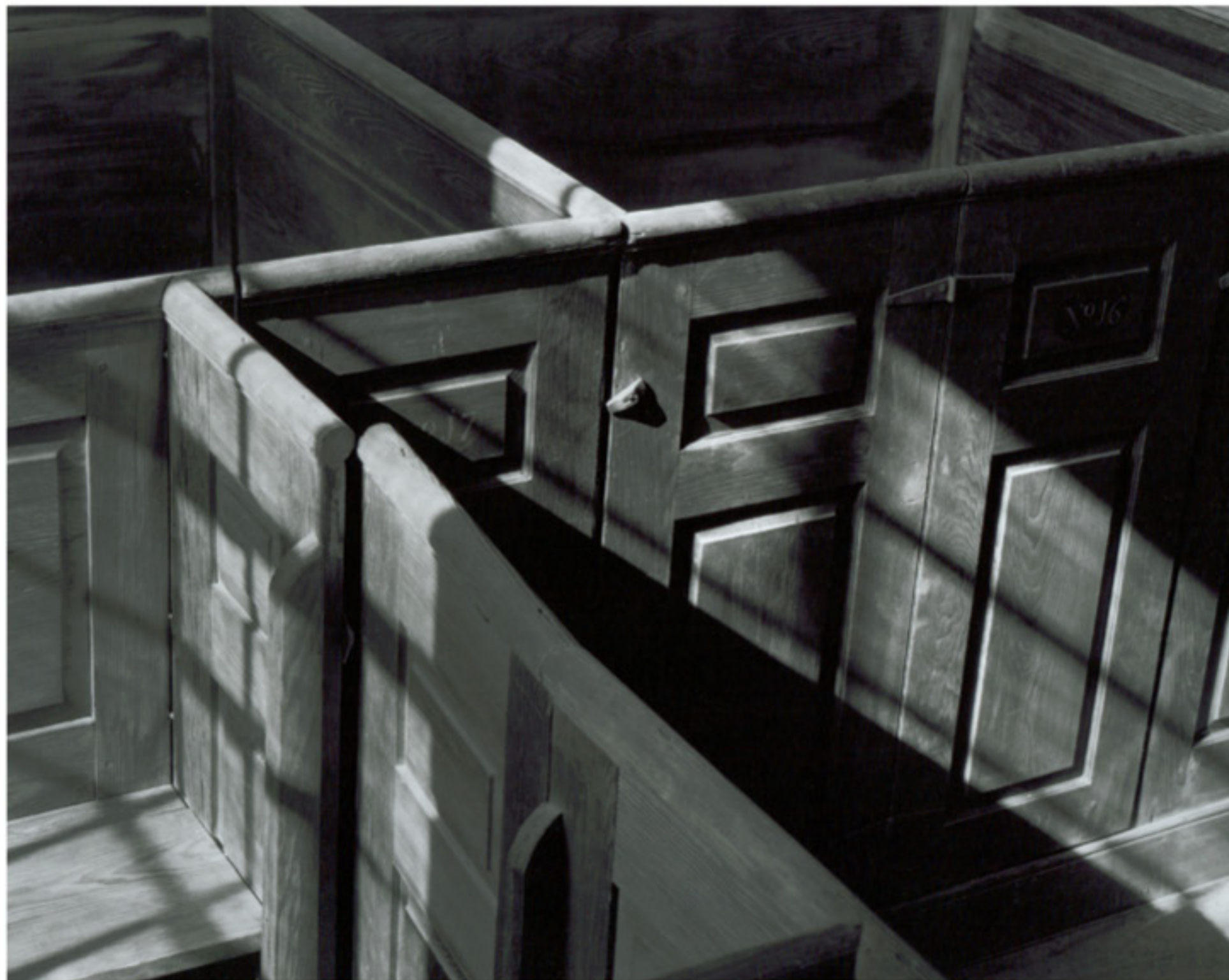
Amesbury, Massachusetts



Sandown, New Hampshire



Canaan, New Hampshire



Waldoboro, Maine



Bristol, Maine

My photographs seek to go beyond documenting what these places look like.

They explore in an intimate way the sense of quiet wonderment that I have for them and the people who built them.



Cornish, New Hampshire



Sandown, New Hampshire



Danville, New Hampshire



Danville, New Hampshire

I feel a presence when I am in
these places;
not in a spooky way,
but in a mysterious and wonderful
realization that life is a continuum.



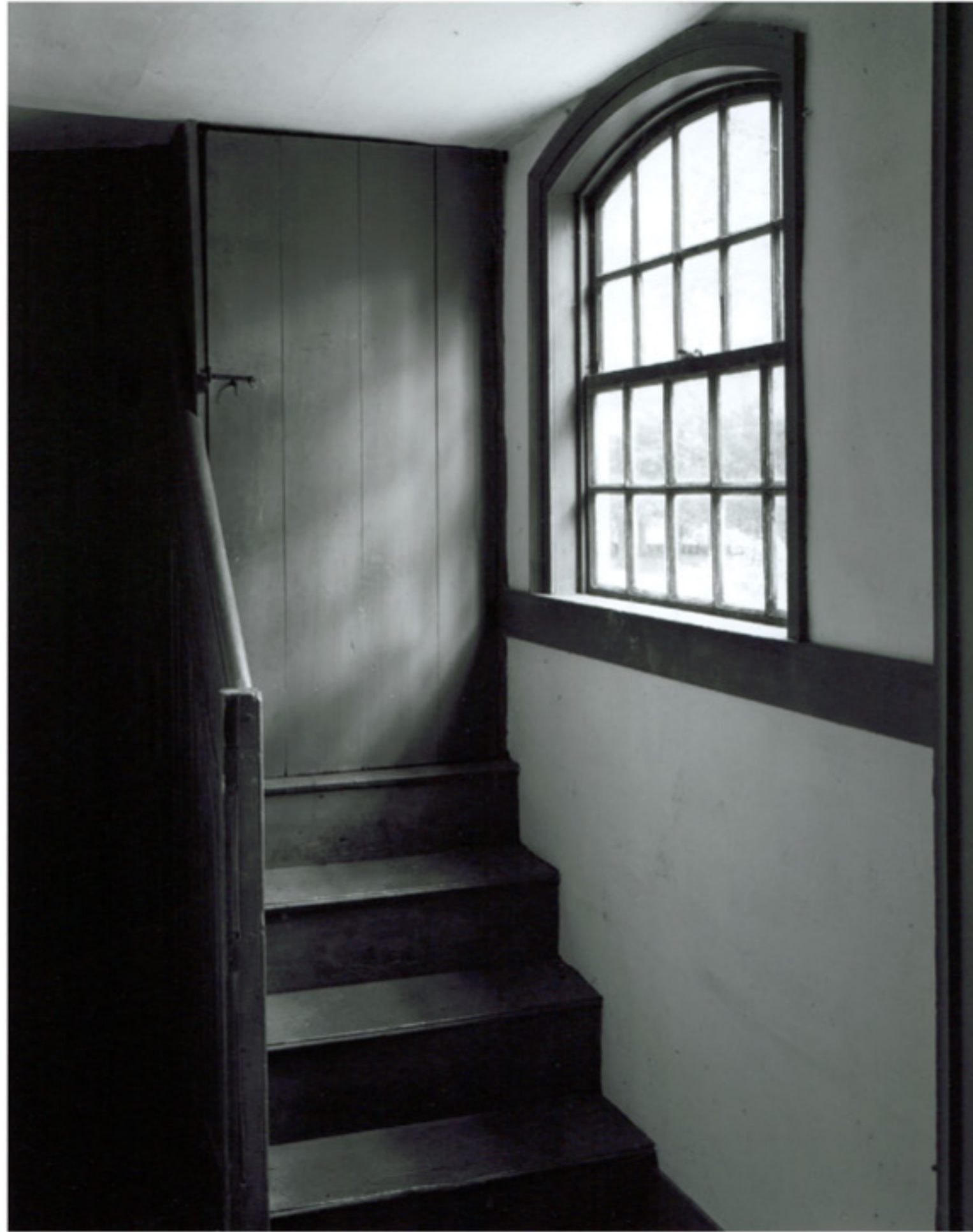
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Brooklyn, Connecticut



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Brooklyn, Connecticut



Webster, New Hampshire



Canaan, New Hampshire



Millville, Massachusetts



Millville, Massachusetts



Danville, New Hampshire



Danville, New Hampshire



Millville, Massachusetts



Pelham, Massachusetts



Sandown, New Hampshire

I am impressed with the textures
of these spaces,
and the way that light interacts
with them.



Canaan, New Hampshire



Danville, New Hampshire



Amesbury, Massachusetts



Amesbury, Massachusetts



Danville, New Hampshire



Pelham, Massachusetts



Amesbury, Massachusetts



Alna, Maine



Alna, Maine



Bristol, Maine



Bristol, Maine



Waldoboro, Maine



South Bristol, Maine

My prints evoke a sense of quietness and contemplation, and have been described as reminiscent of some of the great masters of the 20th century.

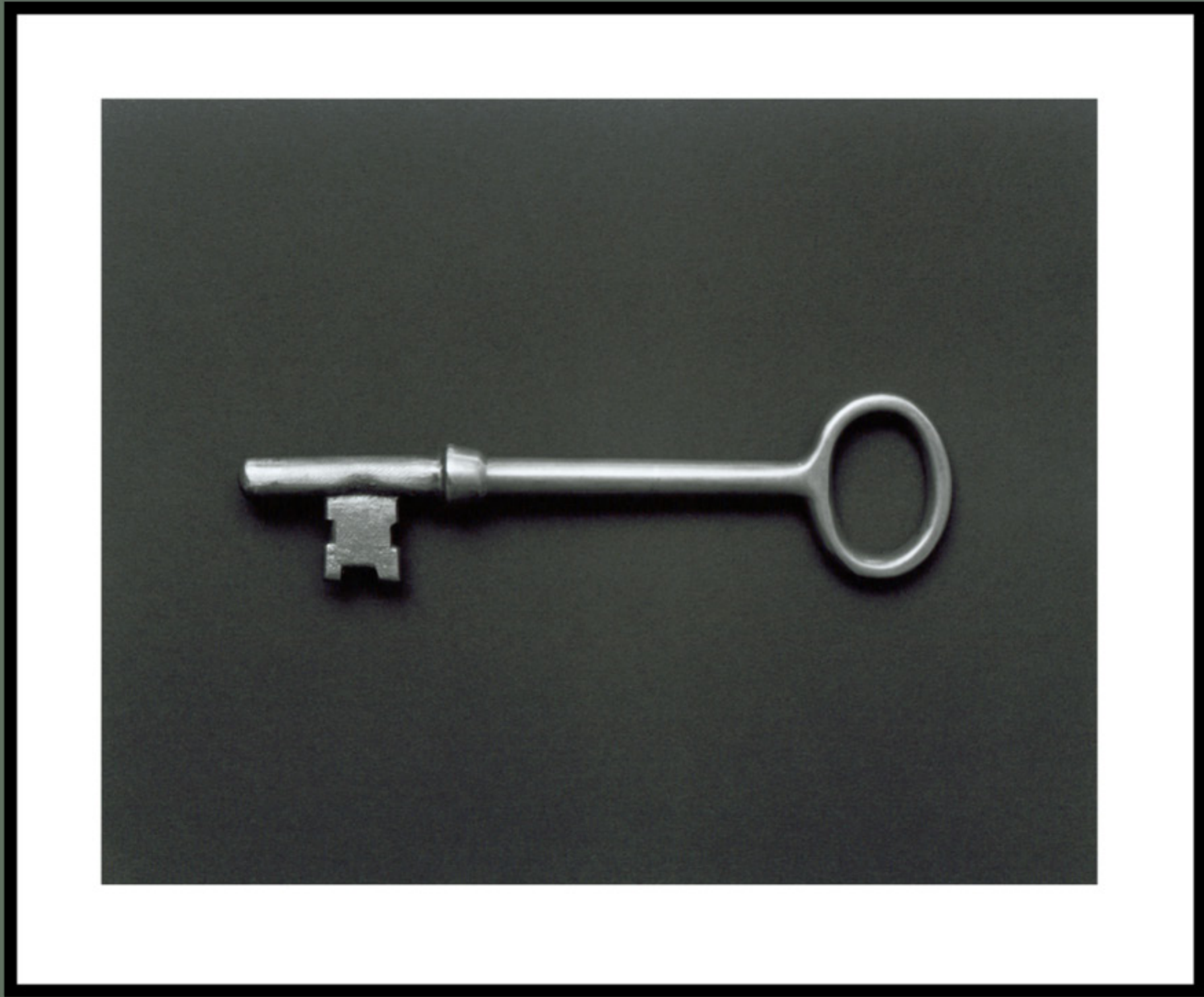




Waldoboro, Maine



Danville, New Hampshire



Waldoboro, Maine



West Barnstable, Massachusetts



Alna, Maine



Canaan, New Hampshire



Amesbury, Massachusetts



Sandown, New Hampshire



Sandown, New Hampshire



Fremont, New Hampshire



Amesbury, Massachusetts



Amesbury, Massachusetts



Sandown, New Hampshire



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Canaan, New Hampshire



Bristol, Maine



Jamestown, Rhode Island



Sandown, New Hampshire



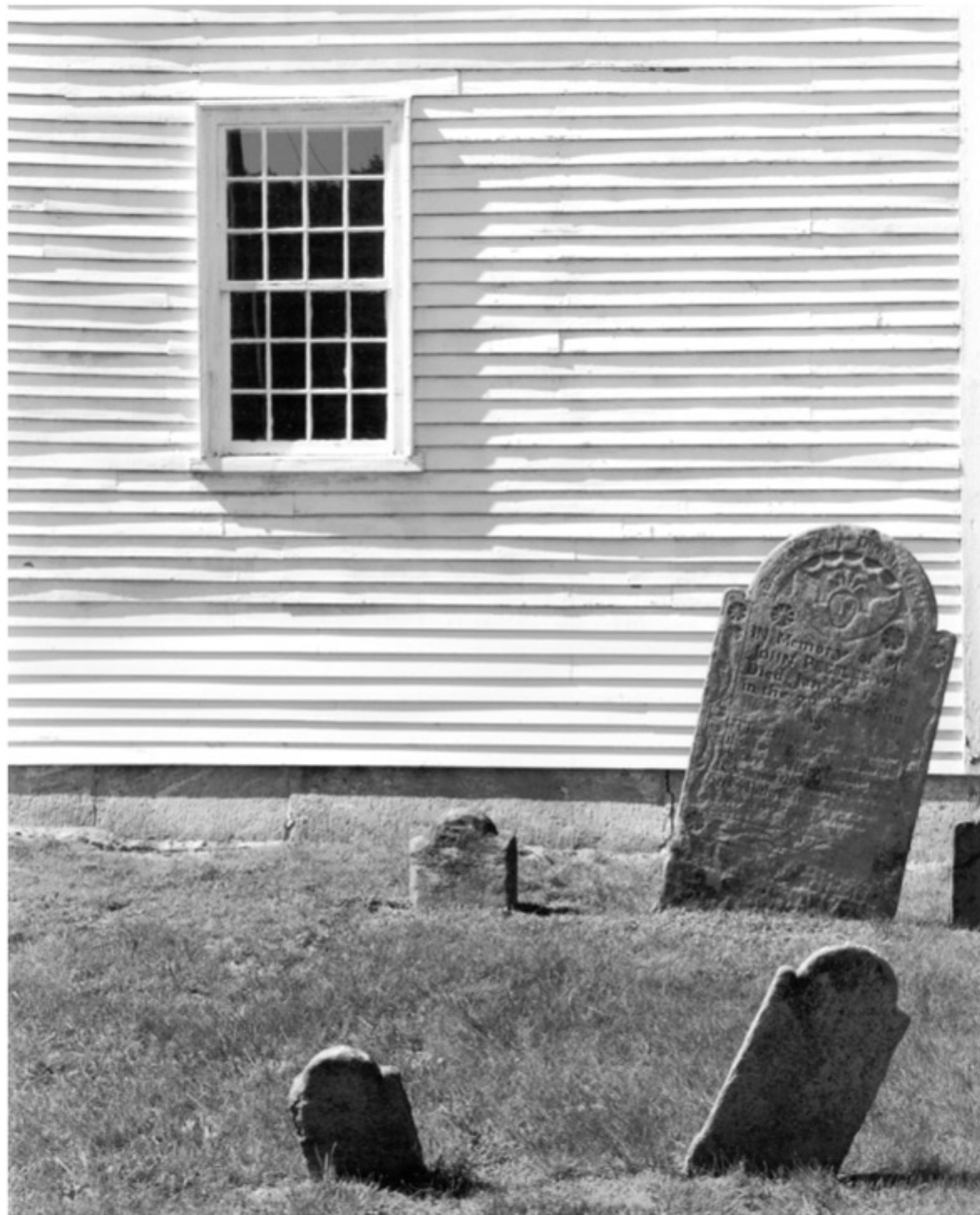
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Pelham, Massachusetts



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Waldoboro, Maine



Wickford, Rhode Island



Bristol, Maine



Millville, Massachusetts



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Danville, New Hampshire



Bellows Falls, Vermont



Wickford, Rhode Island



Fremont, New Hampshire



Holderness, New Hampshire



Canaan, New Hampshire



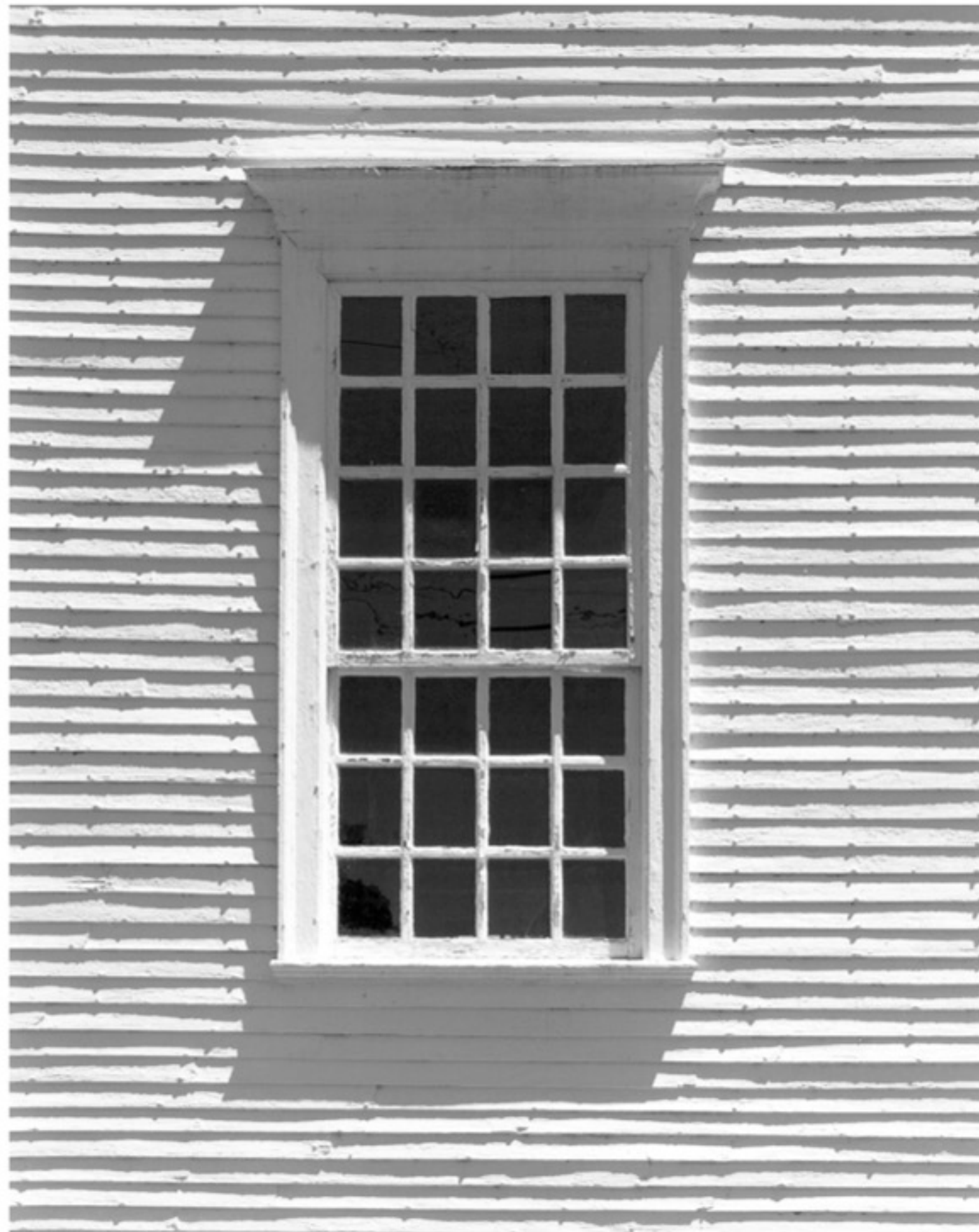
Bellows Falls, Vermont



Hampstead, New Hampshire



West Barnstable, Massachusetts



Sandown, New Hampshire



Fremont, New Hampshire



Amesbury, Massachusetts



Holderness, New Hampshire

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