

Tour of Hopedale and Uxbridge, Mass. Saturday, May 18, 2019 10:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.

Meet at 10:00 a.m. at the Little Red Shop, 12 Hopedale St., Hopedale, Mass.

Park on Hopedale St., on the pond side of the street. Tour of Hopedale with two local historians. Hopedale began as a Christian communitarian experiment, after which the Draper family turned the site into the largest manufacturer of looms in the world. We'll visit some of the historic Draper buildings. This will be followed by a talk about growing up in a mill town given by the foremost collector of local history in the area. Time 2 to 2 ½ hours.

Then off to Uxbridge (about 6 miles away) to visit the Stanley Mill. After a $\frac{1}{2}$ hour coffee break offered by Stanley Antiques, we tour the mill with a long-serving member of the local historical commission. Time 1 $\frac{1}{2}$ to 2 hours.

Please sign up with Rick Ashton, tour organizer: <u>ashtons4@yahoo.com</u>

For information about Hopedale, the Draper Corporation, and Stanley Mill:

http://www.hope1842.com/ https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Draper Corporation https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Stanley Woolen Mill https://antiquesshopfinder.journalofantiques.com/listings/stanley-mill-antiques/

