



THE VOLLMER HOUSE

Owners: Mr. & Mrs. John Thomas and Family

The living room and one bedroom of this house were built by John Vollmer about 1863; a dining room was added about 1900. Mr. & Mrs. Al Philip owned the home in the 1970s, and did a great deal of restoration work and added two bedrooms and baths, a sitting room and a rear terrace. Mr. Philip had grown up in Scotland and the home was decorated at that time with sketches by Thomas Sidney Cooper. Copperware in the kitchen was from Aberdeen.

The stone walls of the original house are 20 to 24 inches thick, and the floors are of local cypress. In the added sitting room, the floor is of Arkansas flagstone.

This house was the offices of Dr. Patricia Chandler in the 1980s. It was purchased by the Mr. and Mrs. Thomas in 1992, and they are doing further research on the structure.

This house has the Pioneer Castroville Home Marker.