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Who was the original owner of your property?

If you've read the 1780 Montgomery Town Charter you will have seen a list of individuals to whom land was granted, the original owners. They included Governor Thomas Chittenden and State Surveyor Ira Allen (no conflict of interest there!). There is no evidence that any of the grantees ever visited or lived in Montgomery. Rather the land was sold, (or sometime awarded to Revolutionary War veterans for service as was the case for Joshua Clapp), and then subdivided, or combined, and over time evolved into the present day boundaries approximated by the Tax Map.

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	
1	Oliver Belmont	Abel Newell	Joshiah Fowler	Ammi R. Robbins	James Barlow	Elijah Burr	Thomas Chittenden	Reinhold Edwards	David Perry	Russell Morse	47	48	49
											47	48	49
											51	52	53
2	Solomon Fish	Reinhold Edwards	University	William Boole	Matthew Frisvold	John Graham	Seth Holden	Moses Seymour	William Boole	Peter Starr	55	56	57
											55	56	57
											60	61	62
3	Samuel School	Seth Holden	John Hart	Nathan Hart	Aaron Barlow	Era Stiles	Eleazer Brewster	James Barlow	Bartholomew Merritt	Abel Newell	Buckley Oleott	60	61
											60	61	62
											60	61	62
4	Elijah Hart	Jonah Fish	Comfort Sage	John Fessett	Eleazer Fish	Peter Starr	Samuel School	William Boole	John Boole	Eleazer Fish	Joshiah Fowler	Ira Allen	
5	Jonas Fay	John Fessett	Stephen R. Bradley	Moses Seymour	John A. Fessett	Samuel School	Stephen R. Bradley	Oliver Wolcott	Joseph Strong	Deaac Stiles	John Hart	Joshua Smith	
6	Russell Morse	Seth Lee	William Boole	Seth Smith	Reuben Merritt	David Perry	Annah Clark	Thomas Burr	Aaron Barlow	Solomon Fish	John Graham	Asa Smith	
7	Isaac Champion	Ira Allen	Andrew Adams	John A. Dibble	Elisha Barber	Elijah Burr	Ammi R. Robbins	John Fessett	Era Stinson	Noble Coates	Era Stiles	Andrew Adams	
8	Era Stiles	Buckley Oleott	Joseph Strong	John Fessett	Alexander Wolcott	Jonah Fish	Wm J. Merritt	Jonas Fay	Comfort Sage	Nathan Hart	Reuben Bradley	Daniel Parsons	
9	Thomas Ives	Daniel Parsons	Jonathan Edwards	Reuben Merritt	Reuben Merritt	Ruth Fish	Jonathan Edwards	Beth Smith	William Burr	Nathan Bradley	Joshiah Boole	Reuben Merritt	
10	Isaac Champion	William Boole	Andrew Adams	John A. Dibble	Isaac Champion	John A. Dibble	Annah Clark	Isaac Champion	Isaac Champion	Isaac Champion	Isaac Champion	Isaac Champion	
11	Isaac Champion	Eleazer Burr	Eleazer Burr	Eleazer Burr	Eleazer Burr	Eleazer Burr	Eleazer Burr	Eleazer Burr	Eleazer Burr	Eleazer Burr	Eleazer Burr	Eleazer Burr	
12	Ruth Fish	Nathan Bradley	Reuben Bradley	Joshiah Boole	Seth Smith	Elisha Barber	Seth Lee						

Based on the map and the 1837 review by the County Surveyor, Joseph Beeman, Montgomery was originally a square containing roughly 25,000 acres divided into 12 lots wide by 12 lots long.

Each of the lots was approximately ½ mile square and totaled almost 171 acres. Fourteen of the lots were further subdivided into 65 smaller lots generally about 37 acres each.

Lots were organized into two divisions of large lots and one division of three tracts of the smaller lots. Each grantee was awarded two of the larger lots and one of the smaller lots, not adjoining, for a total of about 379 acres. Other lots were set aside for the benefit of the town, and state schools/university, and the first minister/ministry. This early map has the names of the grantees written in each lot where there is room.

The lotting map was put together and lots were granted without regard to topography. For example a lot to benefit the State university was in Hazen's Notch, and a lot to benefit the first Town ministry was in the Deep Gibou.

The map on the next page is based on a hand drawn copy of the original lotting map commissioned by the Selectmen in 1898. Drawn by surveyor F.H. Dewart, it shows lands added to the southern regions of Montgomery by the State legislature making it look a lot like Montgomery's modern boundaries. None of the lots of Montgomery's southern panhandle, lands formerly belonging to Lowell and Avery's Gore, were included in the original charter grants.

The alphabetical listing of grantees and the coordinates of their large lots was added on the right. The small lots were simply numbered and are shown in the far right column of the list. Lot 30 is split between three locations.

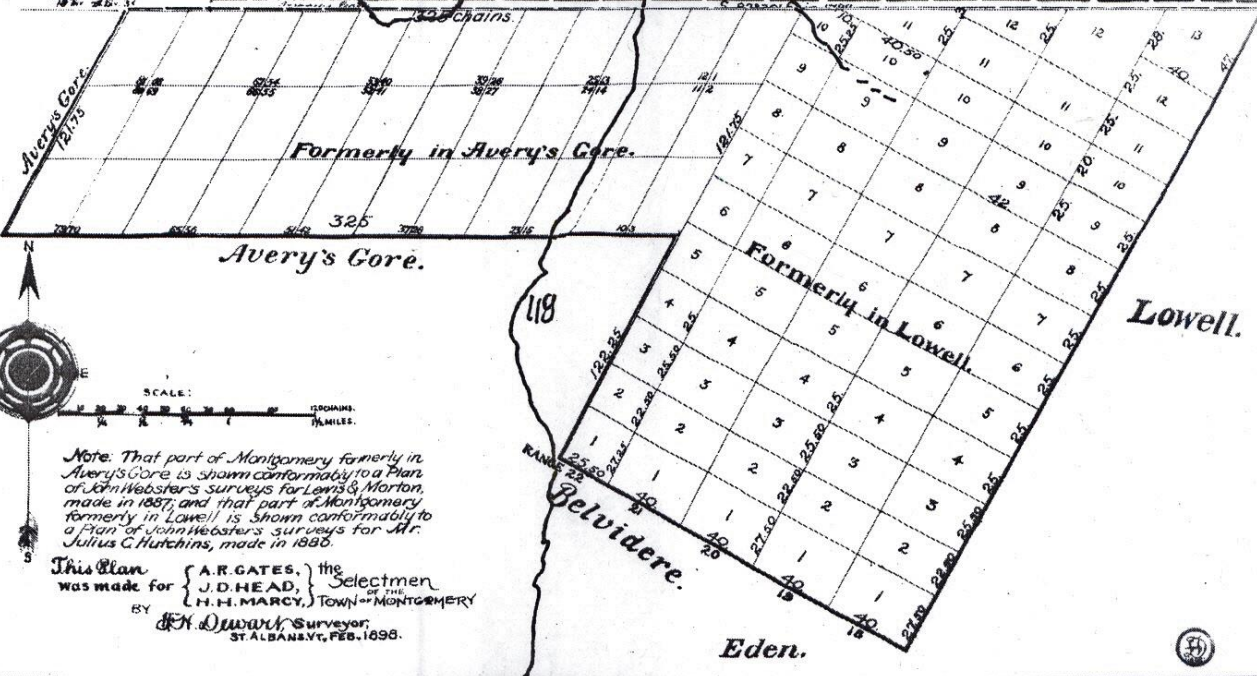
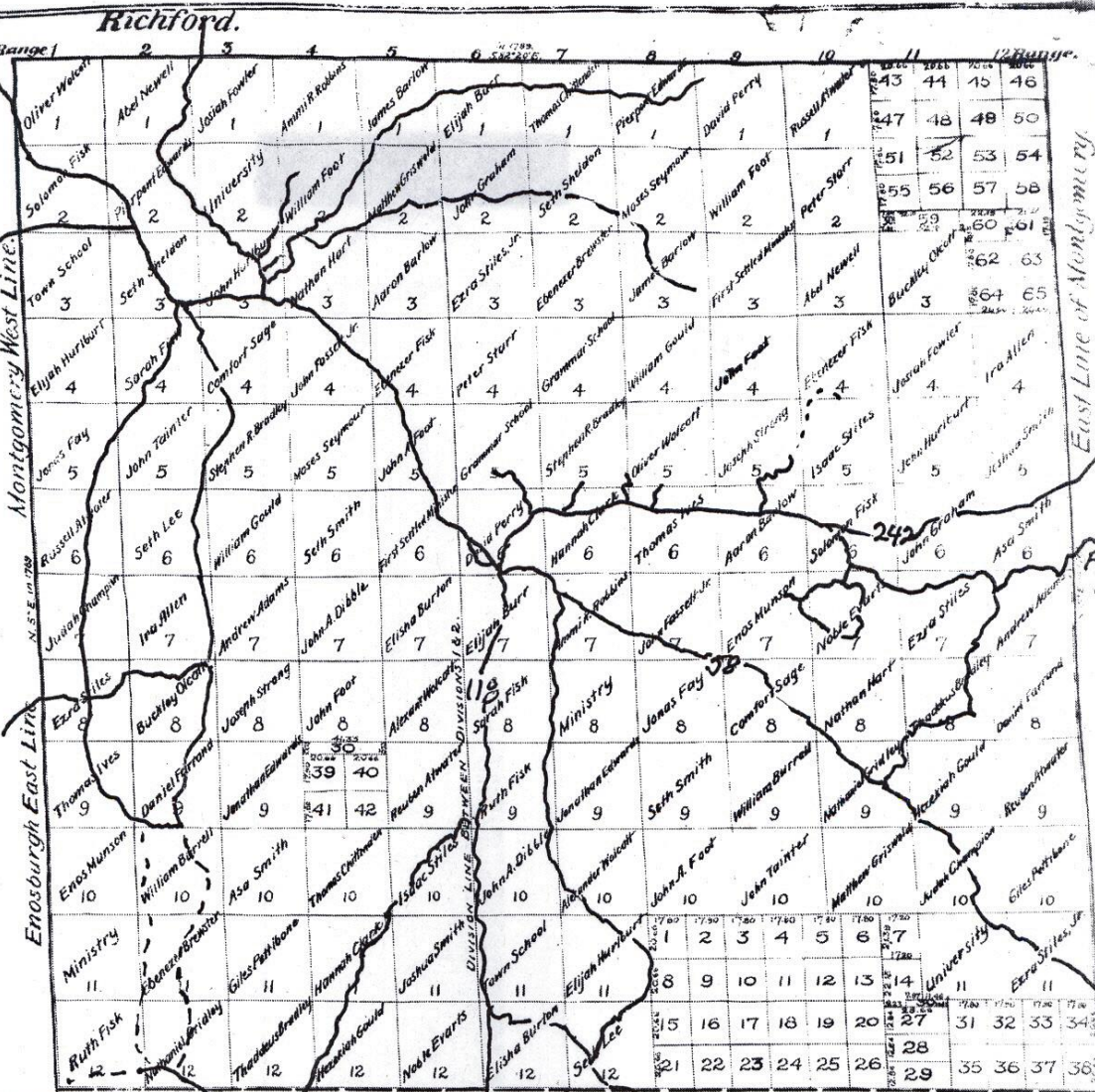
We've overlaid Montgomery's contemporary road system onto this map. If you know the approximate location of your land in relation to the roads shown, you will be able to tell who originally was granted, or owned, your property in 1789 when the legislature approved the charter. This map is only an approximation.

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Name of Original Proprietor	Acres
1. Adams, Andrew	4 3 7 1/2
2. Allen, Ira	4 2 4 1/2
3. Alwater, Russell	6 1 1 1/2
4. Alwater, Reuben	4 5 1 1/2
5. Barton, Eliza	4 5 1 1/2
6. Barlow, Aaron	3 5 6 1/2
7. Barlow, James	1 5 3 1/2
8. Bradley, Stephen R.	5 3 5 1/2
9. Bradley, Thaddeus	1 3 1 1/2
10. Brewster, Ebenezer	1 1 2 1/2
11. Burr, Elijah	1 6 7 1/2
12. Burrell, William	10 2 9 1/2
13. Champion, Judah	4 1 10 1/2
14. Chittenden, Thomas	11 4 6 1/2
15. Clark, Hannah	1 4 6 1/2
16. Little, John A.	4 2 10 1/2
17. Edwards, Pierpont	2 2 1 1/2
18. Edwards, Jonathan	4 3 9 1/2
19. Everts, Noble	12 5 7 1/2
20. Farand, Daniel	4 2 1 1/2
21. Fessenden, John, Jr.	4 4 7 1/2
22. Fay, John	5 1 1 1/2
23. Fish, Sarah	4 2 6 1/2
24. Fish, Ruth	12 1 9 1/2
25. Fish, Solomon	2 1 6 10 1/2
26. Fish, Benjamin	4 3 4 10 1/2
27. Foot, John	8 4 4 1/2
28. Foot, William	2 4 2 1/2
29. Foot, John A.	5 5 10 1/2
30. Gould, Joseph	1 3 4 11 1/2
31. Gould, William	6 3 4 11 1/2
32. Gould, Ezekiah	12 4 9 11 1/2
33. Graham, John	2 6 6 11 1/2
34. Gravelly, Nathaniel	12 2 9 10 1/2
35. Gravelly, Matthew	2 5 10 10 1/2
36. Hart, Nathan	3 4 1 10 1/2
37. Hubbard, Elizabeth	4 1 11 7 1/2
38. Hubbard, John	3 3 5 11 1/2
39. Ives, Thomas	9 1 6 11 1/2
40. Ives, Seth	4 2 19 1/2
41. Munson, Enos	10 1 7 1/2
42. Nowell, Abel	1 2 3 1/2
43. Olcott, Buckley	5 2 3 11 1/2
44. Perry, David	6 6 1 9 1/2
45. Pellibone, Giles	11 3 10 12 1/2
46. Robbins, Amos R.	4 4 7 1/2
47. Sage, Comfort	4 3 8 1/2
48. Shelton, Moses	5 4 2 1/2
49. Shelton, Seth	3 2 2 1/2
50. South, Asa	11 3 1 12 1/2
51. South, Joshua	11 5 5 12 1/2
52. Smith, Seth	6 4 9 1/2
53. Starr, Peter	4 6 2 10 1/2
54. Stiles, Ezra	3 1 7 1/2
55. Stiles, Ezra, Jr.	3 6 4 1/2
56. Stiles, Isaac	10 5 5 10 1/2
57. Strong, Joseph	8 3 5 1/2
58. Tanager, John	5 2 10 1/2
59. Wolcott, Oliver	1 1 5 1/2
60. Wolcott, Alexander	8 10 4 1/2
61. Minister, First Called	6 5 3 1/2
62. Minister, Use of	11 1 1 1/2
63. School Grammar	5 6 4 1/2
64. School, Town	3 1 1 1/2
65. University	2 3 11 1/2



Note: That part of Montgomery formerly in Avery's Gore is shown conformably to a Plan of John Websters surveys for Lewis & Morton, made in 1887, and that part of Montgomery formerly in Lowell is shown conformably to a Plan of John Websters surveys for Mr. Julius C. Hutchins, made in 1888.

This Plan was made for { A. R. GATES, } the Selectmen
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