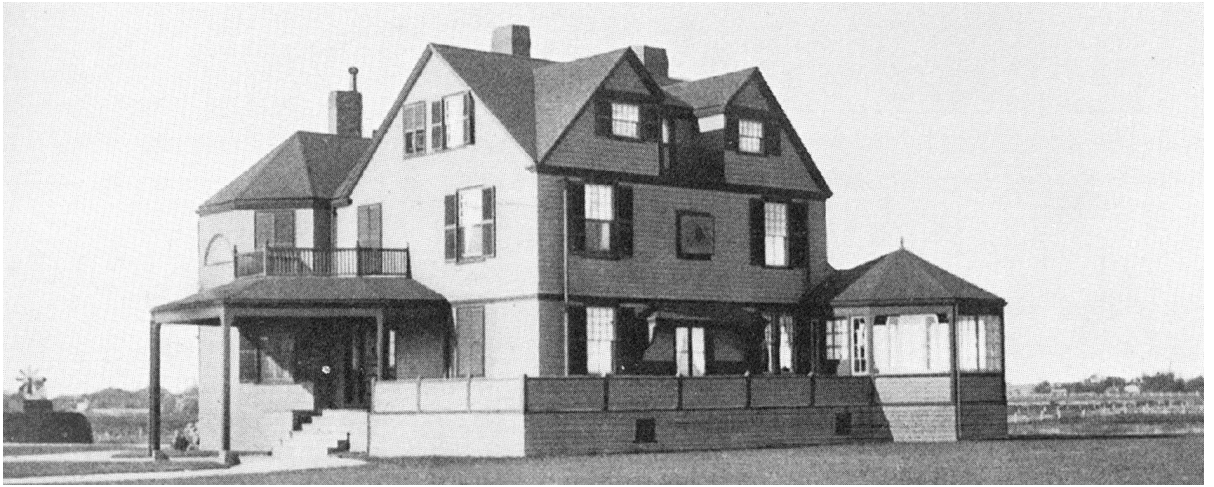


Surf Drive Houses



Summer home of Richard Olney. Courtesy Falmouth Historical Society.

In the late 1800s two substantial summer homes were built at the corner of Surf Drive and Mill Road. About 1880, a very successful corporate lawyer who became Secretary of State in 1895, Richard Olney, built on the northeast corner. In about 1885 John E. Dwight built on the west corner. Dwight was one of the founders of the Arm and Hammer brand. Both houses were demolished after being severely damaged by the 1944 hurricane.

The Dwight carriage house remains, just up Mill Road. The house site is now a parking lot.



The John Dwight summer residence. Courtesy Falmouth Historical Society.