



Marker #12

On the bar back of the old Severson Inn Tavern, one of the customer debts reads: "Mr. Jonathan Johnson (the doctor from Dunnsville) To Liquor 25 cts." We know not whether the liquor was for a patient or to fortify the kindly doctor for a cold night's solitary ride ministering to the sick of Dunnsville.

Beyond this purchase record and the meager details on the historical sign, little is known of this early pioneer physician, though his contribution to the colonial adventure is evidenced by the blue and gold historic marker on Route 20 in the quiet hamlet of Dunnsville.

"The history of a nation is not in parliaments or battlefields, but in what people say to each other on fair days and high days, and in how they farm, and quarrel, and go on pilgrimage."

Wm. Butler Yeats