Town of Hooksett

- Believed to be named after Isle au Hooksett/Hooksett Falls
- Was originally part of Chester, Dunbarton, and Goffstown
- Incorporated in 1822 in Hillsborough County
- Moved to Merrimack County when formed in 1823
Hooksett Town Seal
Pinnacle Tower
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- Built in 1892 by Henry Carbee
- 85-foot wooden tower was 490 feet above river
- Part of Pinnacle Park (zoo, pavilion, tower and boarding house)
- Torn down in 1923 after becoming unsafe
Pinnacle View Today
Town Hall

- Opened in 1828
- Addition in 1937 of a kitchen and dining room
- Converted to town offices in 1961
- Additional offices added on second floor in 1975/76
- Town offices moved in 2008
Town Hall 1931
Town Hall with Prescott Library
Town Hall Today
Head's Brickyard
Head's Brickyard

- In operation from 1836-1917
- One mile long on east side of Merrimack River, north of Three Bridges
- Supplied bricks used for building the Manchester mill yards
- Output of 5 - 10,000,000 bricks per year
- Seasonal, up to 100 employees
Head's Brickyard
Head's Brickyard Kilns
Head's Brickyard Today
Three Bridges
Three Bridges

- Built in late 1840s by Horace Childs of Henniker
- Two curved spans and one straight
- 174' 8", 307' 9", 185' 8" long
- All washed away in the flood of 1936
- Not rebuilt, railroad branch discontinued
Three Bridges in 1889

Three Bridges

These three train bridges spanned the Merrimack River at Hooksett Falls. The photograph was taken in 1889.
Three Bridges During Dam Construction
Three Bridges Today
Three Bridges Today
Dundee Mill Plan from 1865
Dundee Mills Today
Dundee Mills Today
Dundee Mills Today
Here is a comparison picture to large photo on Page 1 of Pictorial, showing devastated Hooksett, N. H., as it looked from air at height of flood. Churches in foreground Roman Catholic (left) and Congregational. Wreckage of wooden railroad bridges drifted down Merrimack to left center from Suncook.
Robie's and Coal Cars 1936
Odd Fellows Hall Damage
Bridges Post-Flood
Train Station Post-Flood
For the first time in a month, Hooksett residents are able to cross the Merrimack River without traveling to Concord and Manchester. The state Highway Department has constructed a footbridge along the Boston and Maine railroad trestle for use by pedestrians until the traffic bridge is completed. According to D. E. Allen, chairman of the board of selectmen, the traffic bridge will not be ready until fall.
Temporary Foot Bridge
Lilac Bridge from Foot Bridge
Lilac Collapsed Span in 1999
Lilac Bridge Today
Mt. Saint Mary's in 1920s
Mt. Saint Mary's Today
Mt. Saint Mary's 1976
College Park Drive Today