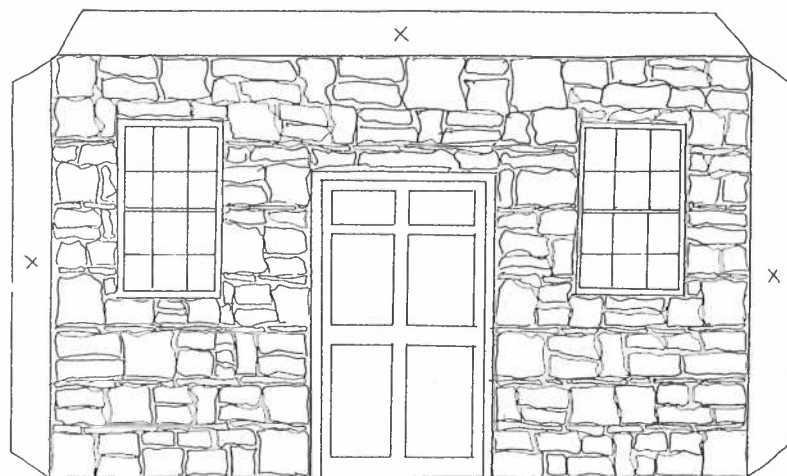
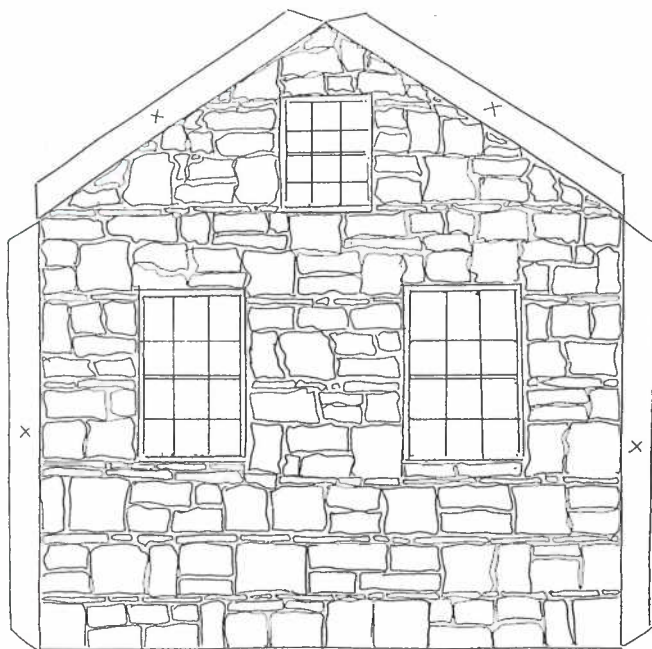
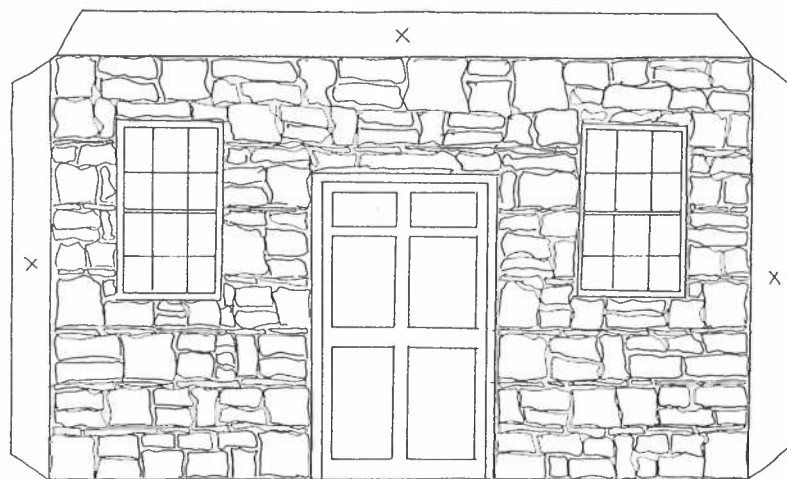


BUILD A SCOTTISH STONE HOUSE

You say it is hard work to build a house, especially one made of stone? You are right, of course, unless you plan to make yours a paper model of a stone house. If you've always wanted a stone house of your own, here's your opportunity.

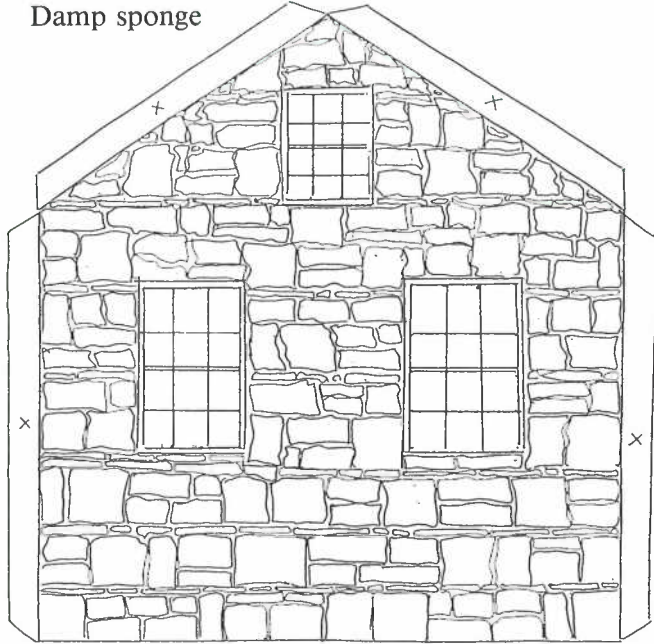


Scottish stone masons began, about 1830, to build stone houses in southern Windsor County, Vermont. They had come to Vermont from the area around Aberdeen, Scotland, a rocky section of Britain where a building technique known as “snecked ashlar” was used. Snecked ashlar houses are made from stone slabs “snecked” or strengthened by thin stones laid crosswise and rubble for fill. You can see snecked ashlar houses today in Cavendish, Chester, Plymouth, Springfield, and Weathersfield.



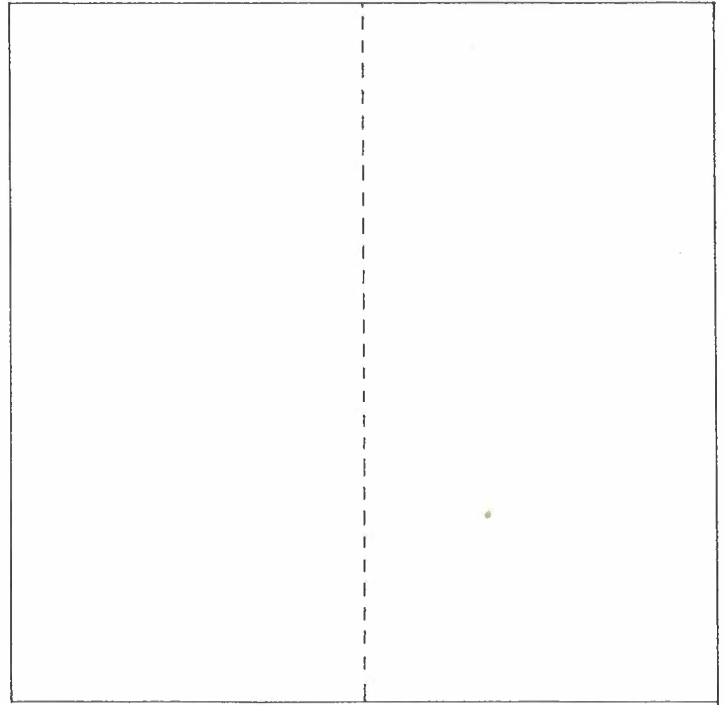
YOU WILL NEED:

Scissors
White glue
Ruler
Table knife
Damp sponge



HERE'S WHAT TO DO:

1. Cut out the front, back, sides and roof.
2. Score the fold lines where the flaps marked "X" join the sides and roof of the house. Do this by placing a ruler along the fold lines and firmly trace the length of the line with the blade of a table knife. Press firmly to make a groove, but not so hard you cut through the paper.
3. Fold back the flaps marked "X" and glue them together to form the house. Carefully wipe away excess glue with the damp sponge. Hold the glued flaps together for a few seconds until they stick firmly. Add the roof and your snecked ashlar house is done.



"GLIMMERSTONE." The best-known snecked ashlar house in Vermont was built between 1844 and 1847 in Cavendish and is handsomely decorated in the Gothic Revival style. Photo by Courtney Fisher, Vermont Division for Historic Preservation.