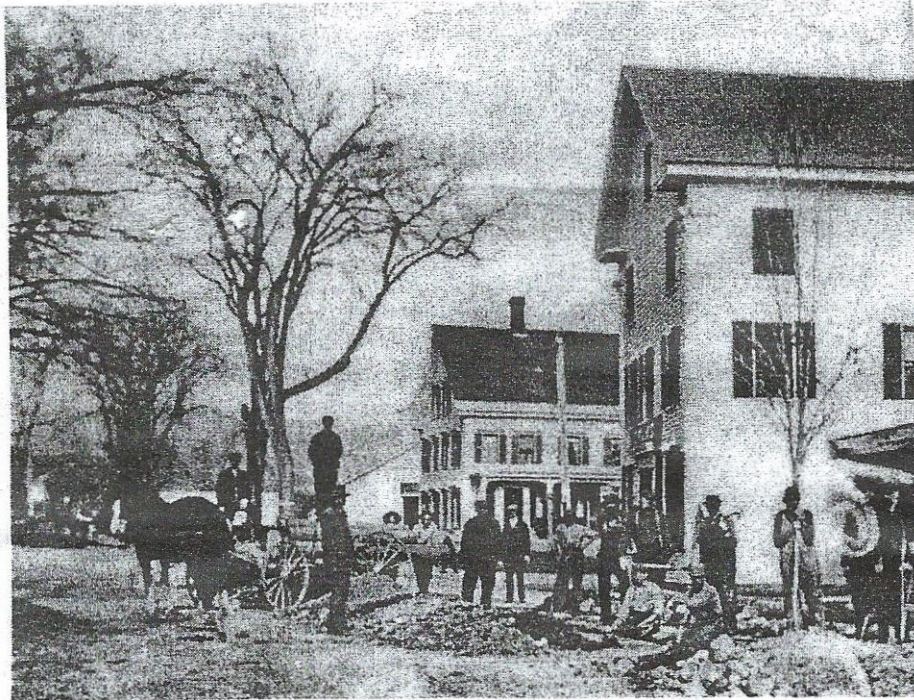


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This picture shows the crew of the Water Precinct digging up a piece of pipe near the center of Freedom Village. In those days (about 1913) the pipes were made of wood, and the way leaks were discovered was finding a rivulet of water somewhere on the road. Records of the location of the new, metal pipes used to replace the rotting wood were incomplete so no map could let the commissioners know just how much old pipe was left.

Sometimes tadpoles came out of the faucets, even in the 1950s. In 1996, after pressure from the federal government, new wells were installed. *Note that a section of wood pipe is on display at the FHS Museum.*