

'under a distress for rent' upon Havergate Island. The furniture in the house was auctioned, along with 60 tons of good marsh hay, a waggon, and sundry articles to do with farming. The auctioneer was Robert Osborne, and the sale was arranged by Edward Rush, as was that of the 'new house'. Among the costs Rush incurred were journeys to Orford from Little Stonham where he lived, to 'settle when to have a sale at Havergate Island', and another journey on 1<sup>st</sup> July 1798 'to advise Robert Osborne' on the sale of the 'new' house. However a sale notice for the 'new' house did not appear in the *Ipswich Journal*. The building was nearly completed, since Culham owed money to brick makers in Chillesford and Snape, a Playford bricklayer, and a blacksmith and glazier from Orford. The latter debt shows most of the building work had been done. A map of properties in Orford, owned by the Earl of Hertford (later Marquis) in 1779, shows Daphne Road was named Lower Street then, in contrast to the parallel High Street to the north. This map shows just a plot of land where Daphne House stands today, but it was not owned by the Earl.

The house that George Culham, his wife Lydia and nine year old son George, occupied was in Orford, but probably not in Daphne Road. Having a cellar and garret in such a small property may be enough to trace it today by whoever lives there, but it has probably been extended or even demolished. Its contents and outdoor goods were the first to be auctioned in October 1797, again by Robert Osborne, and Edward Rush compiled an inventory.

Chamber over the small room – bed and furnishings, 9 pictures glazed and framed.	£6 11s 8d
Kitchen chamber – 4 post bed and furnishings, Manchester furniture, mahogany chest of drawers, 3 small prints.	£16 13s 1d
Chamber over washhouse – 4 post bed and furnishings.	£3 7s 0d
Garret – corn screen and scupper, bedstead.	£1 0s 0d
Cellar – Casks and ale stools.	15s 0d
Wash house -	£6 2s 11d
Kitchen – Mahogany bureau, Pembroke table, 6 walnut chairs	£8 15s 6d
Plate-	£7 10s 0d
Small room – dining table, child's chair	14s 6d
Outdoor stock – large open boat, 3 mares, 3 colts, mast	£64 16s 0d
<u>Total</u>	<u>£116 5s 8d</u>

George Culham's 'new house' is shown and named Daphne Cottage on an undated map. The house stands a little higher than the road, and had a view of the sea, which was a requirement for retired naval men. It could be approached by a drive. The present house on the plot is Daphne House, which has a front built of white brick. Orford people, who know the inside, say the original cottage, incorporated into the present house was of red brick and pantiled as can be seen from the road. It has been extended and the new front added to make today's impressive property. Nineteenth century censuses reveal when the frontage was added. In 1861 Dafney