

FORM B - BUILDING

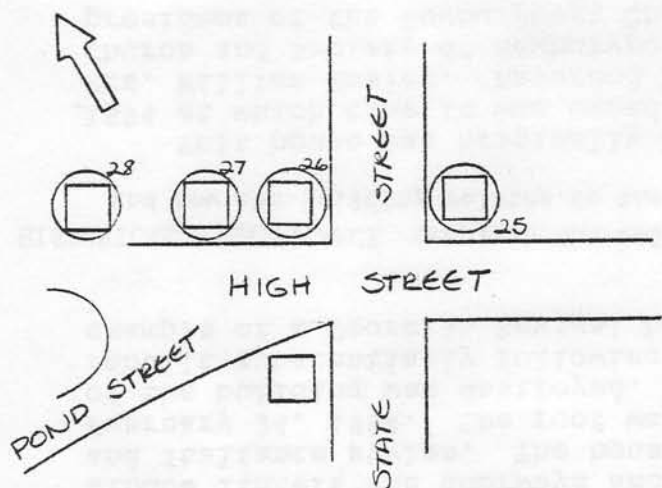
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MASSACHUSETTS HISTORICAL COMMISSION
294 Washington Street, Boston, MA 02108



Newburyport
Address 110-112 High Street
Historic Name Pope-Mosely House
Original Residence
Present Residence
Ownership: Private individual
Private organization
Public
Original owner Unknown

Location in relation to nearest
cross streets and other buildings
or geographical features.
Indicate north.



DESCRIPTION:

Date c. 1855 rebuilt c. 1895
Source 1851, 1872 Maps of Nbpt.
Style Georgian Revival
Architect Unknown
Exterior wall fabric Clapboards
Outbuildings Garage
Major alterations (with dates) building
rebuilt (c. 1895)

Moved _____ Date _____
Approx. acreage 8,850 sq. ft.

Recorded by Mary Jane Stirgwort
Organization Office of Community
Development
Date 8-11-80

Setting on Newburyport's main
thoroughfare noted for its excellent
examples of domestic architecture
dating from the Colonial period through
the early 20th Century.

ARCHITECTURAL SIGNIFICANCE (describe important architectural features and evaluate in terms of other buildings within community)

This house was originally built as a double house between 1851 and 1872. At that time the house was transitional in style with heavy window lintels and doorways and features of both the late Greek Revival and Italiante styles. The house suffered a serious fire on February 24, 1894. The roof was burned and much of the interior finish of the building was destroyed. In following years the building was rebuilt substantially following the fire. Today the house is the finest example of a Georgian Revival building in Newburyport. The detail of the

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HISTORICAL SIGNIFICANCE (explain the role owners played in local or state history and how the building relates to the development of the community)

This house was originally built about 1860. The house burned in 1894 at which time it was owned by Reverend Louis A. Pope and Mrs. William Mosley. Reverend Pope was the minister of the Baptist Church and Society of Newburyport between 1889 and 1901. He was also president of the Newburyport Choral Union in 1896.

Rev. William A. Moseley was born in Newburyport and graduated from Harvard. He studied for the ministry and was a pastor for a Unitarian Church in Burlington, Vt. and afterwards in South Scituate, Mass. At his death in 1894, Moseley left a trust to his sister which was to be given to the Newburyport Public Library at her death. He also left generous sums to the Howard Benevolent Society and the General Charitable Society of Newburyport.

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INVENTORY FORM CONTINUATION SHEET

MASSACHUSETTS HISTORICAL COMMISSION
Office of the Secretary, Boston

Community: Newburyport	Form No: 25
Property Name: Pope Mosley House	

110-112 High Street

Indicate each item on inventory form which is being continued below.

ARCHITECTURAL SIGNIFICANCE (CONTINUED)

house is exceptionally fine and there is an incredible amount of it. The gambrel roof is steeper than it would be if built during the eighteenth century. The Palladian window is the gambrel's end is also a feature that would not occur in an earlier age. The doorways and roof balustrade are exceedingly ornate. The doorways and their porticos are inspired by the Federal style so common on High Street.

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