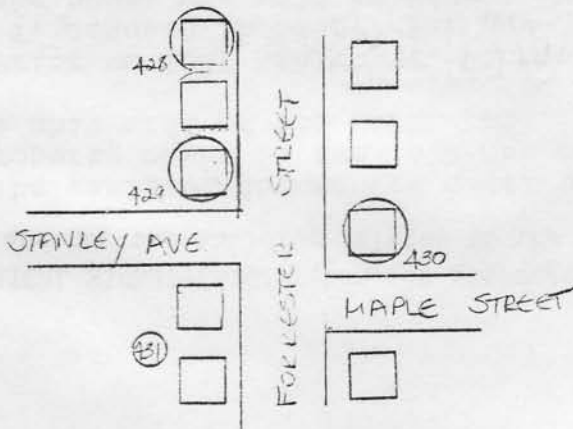


MASSACHUSETTS HISTORICAL COMMISSION



Town Newburyport
 Address 24 Forrester Street
 Historic Name Thomas Pynn House
 Date: Original Residence
 Present Residence
 Ownership: Private individual
 Private organization _____
 Public _____
 Original owner Unknown

Draw map showing property's location in relation to nearest cross streets and other buildings or geographical features. Indicate north.



DESCRIPTION:

Date c. 1835
 Source Building Fabric
 Style Greek Revival
 Architect Unknown
 Exterior wall fabric Clapboards
 Outbuildings _____
 Major alterations (with dates) _____

Moved _____ Date _____
 Approx. acreage 15,250 sq. ft.
 Setting in residential area of nineteenth and twentieth century dwellings.

Recorded by Mary Jane Stirgwort
 Organization Office of Community Development
 Date 12-27-80

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

This two story home with pitched roof is a good example of the vernacular, Greek Revival homes built in Newburyport during the second quarter of the nineteenth century. The influence of the style is seen primarily in the front entrance but is also evident in the bold cornerboards and cornice moulding. The front entrance is typically Greek in style with a door flanked by sidelights and pilasters supporting a heavy entablature above.

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

The earliest documented owner of this house is Thomas Pynn, noted as the property owner in the 1872 Map of Newburyport. Pynn was a shipcarpenter in the shipyards of the North End.

Prior to 1885 Wealthy G. Plummer acquired the property. He sold it to Abbie T. Johnson in 1885. She and her heirs owned the house until 1917 when the house was sold to Mary A. Nevins.

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