

FORM B - BUILDING

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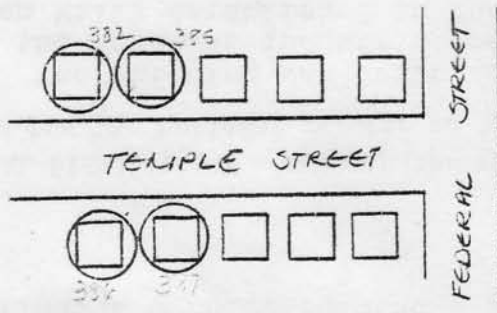
MASSACHUSETTS HISTORICAL COMMISSION  
 Boston, MA 02108



City Newburyport  
 Address 48-50 Temple Street  
 Historic Name \_\_\_\_\_  
 Use: Original Residence  
 Present Residence  
 Ownership:  Private individual  
 Private organization \_\_\_\_\_  
 Public \_\_\_\_\_  
 Original owner Unknown

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

DESCRIPTION:  
 Date c. 1850  
 Source 1851 Map of Newburyport  
 Style Greek Revival  
 Architect Unknown  
 Exterior wall fabric Clapboards  
 Outbuildings \_\_\_\_\_  
 Major alterations (with dates) front entrance altered (c. 1890)  
 Moved \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_  
 Approx. acreage 3,500 sq. ft.  
 Setting in residential area of 18th and 19th century homes.



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

This house is typical of the workers housing built in Newburyport during the second half of the nineteenth century. This building is a double house, a form that became popular in Newburyport as early as the Federal period. This building has several features of the Greek Revival style. They include the trabeated doors, the classical cornerboards, wide fascia in the cornice moulding and continuous cornice forming a pediment of the roof gable.

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

The building was built about 1850, probably as workers housing for the adjacent industrial complexes, particularly that of the Globe Steam Mills established in 1845.

In 1851 this building was owned by Henry W. Kinsman, a lawyer and collector of customs, living on High Street. This property was undoubtedly an investment. By 1872 the property had been purchased by John Downer, an overseer at the Peabody mills, formerly the Globe Steam Mill. Downer owned the house for several decades.

In 1924 the owners of 48-50 Temple Street were Ralph Estabrooks, an engineer, living at 18 South Pond Street and John T. Mason, a shoemaker that owned and occupied 50 Temple Street.

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