

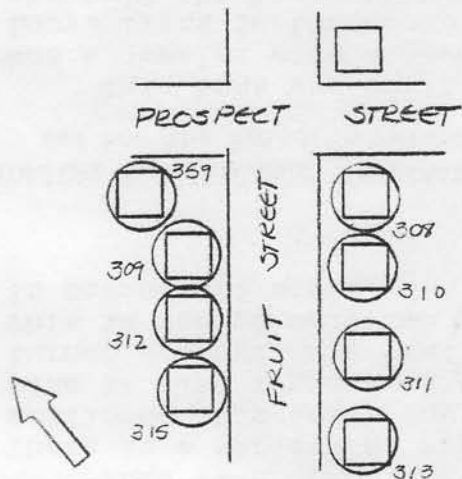
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MASSACHUSETTS HISTORICAL COMMISSION
 264 Washington Street Boston MA 02108



City Newburyport
 Address 5 Fruit Street
 Historic Name _____
 Use: Original Residence
 Present Residence
 Ownership: Private individual
 Private organization _____
 Public _____
 Original owner William H. Safford

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



DESCRIPTION:
 Date c. 1890
 Source Newburyport City Directories
 Style Queen Anne
 Architect Unknown
 Exterior wall fabric clapboards and shingles
 Outbuildings _____
 Major alterations (with dates) _____
 Moved _____ Date _____
 Approx. acreage 11,700 sq. ft.
 in a residential area of single
 Setting and double houses built, for the
 most part, during the first decade of
 the nineteenth century. The homes are
 closely spaced and have little land
 on the street side. Many are fine
 examples of the Federal style.

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

This is an excellent example of the vernacular Queen Anne style. There is a variety of surface texture including clapboards and scalloped shingles. The small window lights surrounding a larger pane is also typical of the Queen Anne style. The porches with turned supports are used widely in vernacular Queen Anne buildings. This is one of only two houses on Fruit Street that are not Federal in period and style.

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

This home was built about 1890 by William H. Safford. Safford was a jeweler with a jewelry shop on Pleasant Street. Safford's widow, Lucy, lived in the house after the death of her husband. In 1931 she sold the house to Edna T. Rogers, wife of Benjamin H. Rogers.

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