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MASSACHUSETTS HISTORICAL COMMISSION



town Newburyport

Address 54 Ashland Street

Historic Name _____

Use: Original Residence

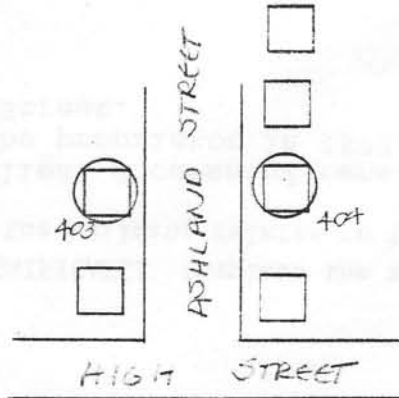
Present Residence

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 Eighteenth Century

Source Building Fabric

Style Georgian

Architect Unknown

Exterior wall fabric Clapboards

Outbuildings _____

Major alterations (with dates) lean-to added, bay window added, front entrance altered (dates unknown)

Moved _____ Date _____

Approx. acreage 3,644 sq. ft.

Setting in residential area adjacent to the High Street Historic District

Recorded by Mary Jane Stirgwolt

Organization Office of Community Development

Date 12-30-80

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

This two story house with pitched roof and symmetrical, five bay facade is Georgian in style. This is evident in the building's form although much of the original architectural detail has been lost. Physical evidence suggests that the lean-to at the rear of the house was added after the period of original construction. The front entrance has been altered and presently is simple but clearly Greek Revival in style.

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 Charles Ordway. Ordway was the proprietor in 1872. He owned a livery stable, located at 292 High Street.

BIBLIOGRAPHY and/or REFERENCES

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