

FORM B - BUILDING

Area	Form no.
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MASSACHUSETTS HISTORICAL COMMISSION  
294 Washington Street, Boston, MA 02108



Newburyport

Address 60 High Street

Historic Name \_\_\_\_\_

Original Residence

Present Parsonage

Ownership:  Private individual  
 Private organization First  
Presbyterian Society of Nbpt.  
 Public \_\_\_\_\_

Original owner Mrs. Henry Titcomb

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

DESCRIPTION:

Date c. 1845

Source 1851 Map of Nbpt.

Style Greek Revival

Architect Unknown

Exterior wall fabric Clapboards

Outbuildings \_\_\_\_\_

Major alterations (with dates) additions  
at rear (date unknown)

Moved \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

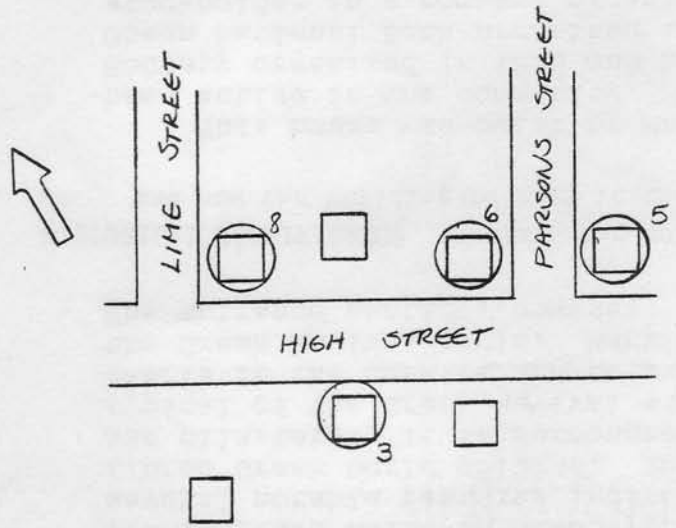
Approx. acreage 8490 sq. ft.

Setting on Newburyport's main

thoroughfare noted for its excellent

examples of domestic architecture

dating from the Colonial period through  
the early 20th century.



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Organization Office of Community  
Development

Date 8-4-80

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

This house is an excellent example of the Greek Revival domestic architecture built in Newburyport between 1830 and 1860. The house has several notable features including the entrance portico supported by fluted Greek Doric columns. The doorway itself is flanked by sidelights and pilasters. It is surmounted by a large oblong window light so typical of the Greek Revival style. The cornerboards and the wide fascia in the cornice and portico entablature are also characteristic of the Greek Revival style. Many similar buildings exist in Newburyport. The entrance portico, however, is unusual.

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 built by Mrs. Henry Titcomb. Henry Titcomb had been active in the community. He was a member of the Leonidos Fire Society organized in 1810 and he was one of the incorporators of the Ocean National Bank organized in 1833. In 1832 Titcomb was an agent and stockholder in a company organized for the purpose of building and fitting out vessels to be employed in whale fishing on the Pacific coast. This business operated in 1837. Titcomb was also part owner of the Ship Republic built by John Currier, Jr. in 1832.

The house passed into the hands of Mrs. Valerie K. Denny, daughter of the Titcombs, at the death of her mother. In 1881 the house was purchased by the First Presbyterian Church to be used as a parsonage.

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