

FORM B - BUILDING

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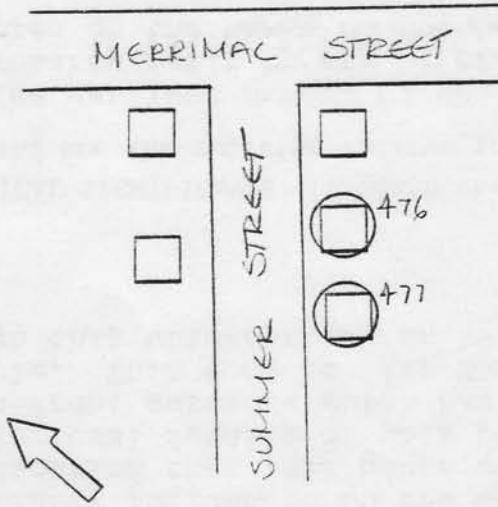
MASSACHUSETTS HISTORICAL COMMISSION  
 222 Washington Street, Boston, MA 02108



City Newburyport  
 Address 3 Summer Street  
 Historic Name Residence  
 Original Residence  
 Present \_\_\_\_\_  
 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) front entrance altered (mid-nineteenth century), entrance added on northern side (c. 1900)  
 Moved \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_  
 Approx. acreage 1,550 sq. ft.

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Setting adjacent to Merrimac Street and the banks of the Merrimack River  
 The homes on the other side of Summer Street were replaced by Route 1 in 1934.

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

This two story building with pitched roof is vernacular in style but was clearly influenced by the Georgian style. The assymetrical facade is an indication that this house may have been built in several phases. The architectural details of this building are simple. It is concentrated in the front entrance which has been replaced and is presently Greek Revival in style. This home is like many of those destroyed when Route 1 was built through this neighborhood in 1934.

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 owners of this house have yet to be documented. The house was probably built by one of the families associated with the trades that prospered on the banks of the Merrimack River during the eighteenth century.

In 1851, John B. Mansfield, an operative, probably working in one of Newburyport's textile mills was a boarder here. It is possible that this building served as a boarding house during the mid-nineteenth century.

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