

FORM B - BUILDING

Area B	Form no. 81
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MASSACHUSETTS HISTORICAL COMMISSION  
294 Washington Street, Boston, MA 02108



Newburyport  
 ss 31-35 Warren Street  
 ric Name \_\_\_\_\_  
 Original Residence  
 Present Residence  
 rship:  Private individual  
           Private organization \_\_\_\_\_  
           Public \_\_\_\_\_  
 Original owner Unknown

Location in relation to nearby streets, cross streets and other buildings or geographical features. Indicate north.

DESCRIPTION:  
 Date c. 1850

Source 1851 Plan of Newburyport

Style Greek Revival

Architect Unknown

Exterior wall fabric Clapboards

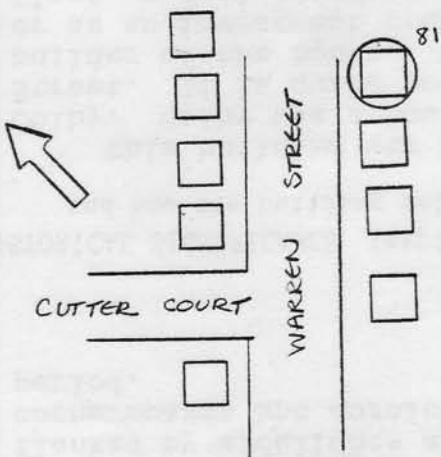
Outbuildings \_\_\_\_\_

Major alterations (with dates) \_\_\_\_\_

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

Approx. acreage 5,750 sq. ft.

Setting In residential area adjacent to the site of the industrial area originally occupied by the Ocean Steam Mills.



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

This multiple family residence is typical of those built throughout the City of Newburyport during the period of prosperity of the textile mills. The building exhibits all of the hallmarks of the vernacular Greek Revival style. These include the trabeated doorways flanked by sidelights and pilasters. The bold classically inspired cornerboards and cornice are also typical of the later Greek Revival period.

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

This building was built prior to 1851 when it was owned by Thomas Colby. Colby was a house carpenter with a business located at 21 Water Street. It is quite possible that Colby was the original owner and builder of the house. The building was undoubtedly built as speculation or as an investment property. In 1872 it was owned by James Blood. Blood, a real estate owner living on Merrimac Street, owned numerous properties in the North End. Most of these were rented to people working in the mills.

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