

FORM B - BUILDING

Area A	Form no. 58
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MASSACHUSETTS HISTORICAL COMMISSION  
294 Washington Street, Boston, MA 02108

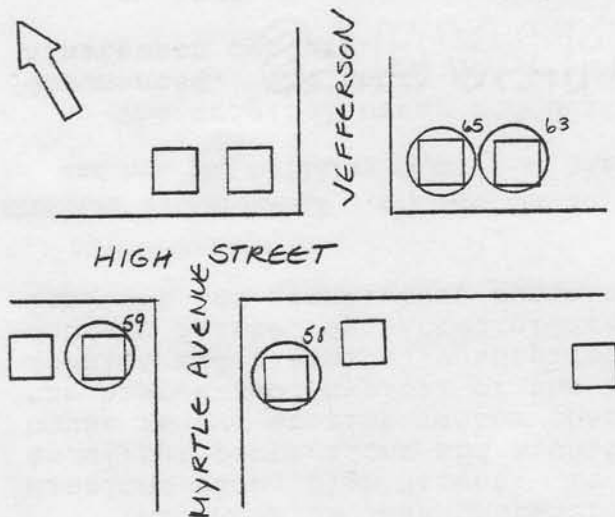


Newburyport  
 Address 339 High Street  
 Historic Name \_\_\_\_\_  
 Original Residence  
 Present Residence  
 Ownership:  Private individual  
                   Private organization \_\_\_\_\_  
                   Public \_\_\_\_\_  
 Original owner Unknown

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

DESCRIPTION:

Date c. 1800  
 Source \_\_\_\_\_  
 Style Federal  
 Architect Unknown  
 Exterior wall fabric Clapboards  
 Outbuildings Garage  
 Major alterations (with dates) \_\_\_\_\_  
 Moved \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_  
 Approx. acreage 15,370 sq. ft.



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

This home is less pretentious than many of the three story Federal mansions along High Street. It is noteworthy, nonetheless, for its excellent proportions and architectural details. The fact that the house is two stories rather than three is unusual. The house does have the hipped roof typical of the Federal style, however. The dentil cornice and classically inspired window lintels are fine features. The doorway flanked by fluted pilasters and surmounted by semi-circular fanlight and entablature containing dentils is a lovely composition.

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

The original owner and builder of this house have not been documented. The house was probably built in the early years of the nineteenth century.

In 1872 the house was owned by William Hopkinson. In 1886 Hopkinson was the president of the monument association that was organized to put a monument to the soldiers that fought in the Civil War. The movement was designed by Mrs. Alice Ruggles Kitson. The statue of a soldier returning from the war was presented to the city on July 4, 1902, by Walter B. Hopkinson. The statue stands to this day on Atkinson Common.

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