

FORM B - BUILDING

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 Boston, MA 02108

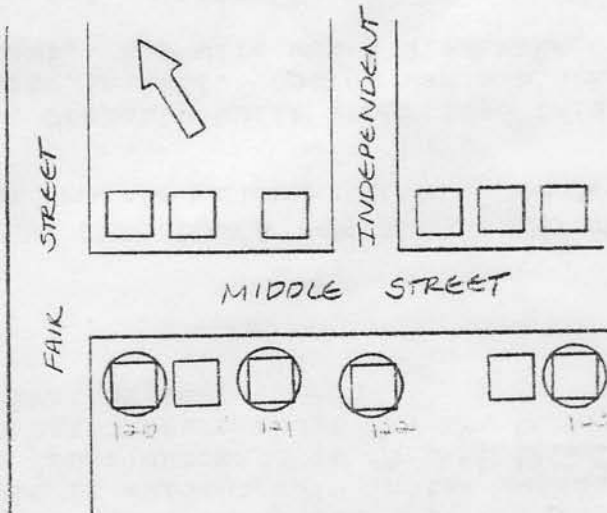


Newburyport
 Address 76 Middle Street
 Historic Name _____
 Original Residence
 Present Residence
 Ownership: Private individual
 Private organization _____
 Public _____
 Original owner Unknown

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

DESCRIPTION:

Date c. 1840
 Source _____
 Style Greek Revival
 Architect Unknown
 Exterior wall fabric Clapboards
 Outbuildings _____
 Major alterations (with dates) _____
 Moved _____ Date _____
 Approx. acreage 5,570 sq. ft.
 Setting in densely built up area in which the predominant building type is that of eighteenth century single family dwellings.



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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 single family houses built in Newburyport during the Greek Revival period. The style is evident only in the building's cornerboards and doorway. The front entrance is flanked by sidelights and Doric pilasters. The entablature above has the wide fascia so common to the Greek Revival style.

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

Probably built about 1840 this house was owned by Joseph M. George in 1851. George was a blacksmith and had a shop on Fair Street. His wife was a dressmaker.

Before 1872 the house was sold to Samuel Estes. Estes was an overseer in the Bartlett Steam Mills. Estes woned the house until 1884. The house stayed in the Estes family well into the twentieth century.

This house is illustrative of the housing built in all of Newburyport's neighborhoods during the period of industrial growth between 1840 and 1860. The development of the textile and shoemaking industries were responsible for this growth.

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