

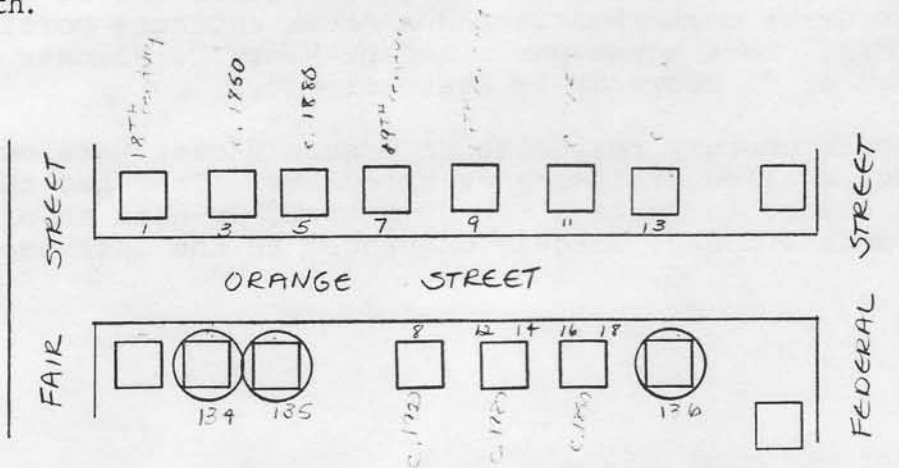
FORM G - STREETScape

In area no.	Form
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City Newburyport  
 Street name Orange Street  
 Addresses (inclusive) 1-13 Orange  
8-18 Orange Street  
 Present use Residential  
 Description:  
 General date or period 1840-1900  
 Predominant architectural styles Gr  
Revival  
 Major intrusions None

4. Map. Draw map of street, clearly showing all buildings; indicate street addresses and approximate date for all buildings; identify intrusions by use or type. Indicate north.



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6. Themes. Check as many as applicable to streetscape

Aboriginal	_____	Conservation	_____	Recreation	_____
Agricultural	_____	Education	_____	Religion	_____
Architectural	x	Exploration/ settlement	_____	Science/ Invention	_____
The Arts	_____	Industry	_____	Social/ humanitarian	_____
Commerce	x	Military	_____	Transportation	_____
Communication	_____	Political	_____		_____
Community Development	x				

7. Significance. Explain historical and/or architectural significance of streetscape. Include explanation of themes checked.

Orange Street was laid out and accepted by the town of Newburyport on March 12, 1783. Several houses were built on the new street in the following years. These have, for the most part, been inventoried individually. The predominant character of this section of Orange Street is Greek Revival. Even some of the earlier houses on the even side of the street were updated during the middle of the nineteenth century and the architectural details along the street are nearly all Greek Revival or Victorian in style.

Most of the homes on Orange Street are substantial in size yet vernacular in style. The house at 2 Orange Street is gambrel roofed and is one of the earliest houses on Orange Street. In 1851 it was owned and occupied by Thomas and George Patten, coopers, with a shop on Elbow Lane. In 1872 the house was owned by Jacob Johnson, a conductor for the Eastern Railroad Company. The house was altered and today has a doorway with Greek Revival and Victorian elements. The house at 4 Orange Street is a good example of the dwellings on Orange Street. It is Greek Revival in form and detail. It is clapboarded two stories with pitched roof. The continuous cornice forms a pediment of the gable end of the roof. The building has Greek cornerboards and a Greek entrance portico supported by the Ionic order. This house was owned by Henry C. Plummer in 1851. Plummer had a dry goods store at 59 State Street.

The nineteenth century residents of Orange Street were owners of small businesses, skilled craftsmen or merchants. They had the wealth that was needed to build a new home or to up-date an old one. Orange Street remains today, largely unchanged in the last one hundred years.

8. Bibliography and/or references

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