

FORM B - BUILDING

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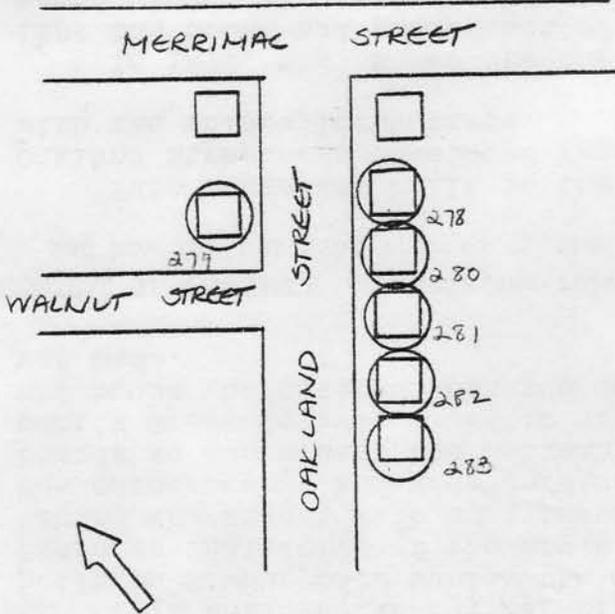


City Newburyport  
 Address 13 Oakland Street  
 Historic Name \_\_\_\_\_  
 Use: Original Residence  
 Present Residence  
 Ownership:  Private individual  
 Private organization \_\_\_\_\_  
 Public \_\_\_\_\_  
 Original owner Unknown

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

DESCRIPTION:

Date c. 1845  
 Source 1851 Plan of Newburyport  
 Style Greek Revival  
 Architect Unknown  
 Exterior wall fabric Clapboards  
 Outbuildings Garage



Major alterations (with dates) Altered to two-family dwelling (date unknown), addition at rear (date unknown)  
 Moved \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_  
 Approx. acreage 7,130 sq. ft.  
 Setting In residential area of nineteenth century single family dwellings.

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

This building is typical of the Greek Revival domestic architecture built in Newburyport during the middle of the nineteenth century. Features indicative of the style include the placement of the gable facing the street with continuous cornice to form a pediment of the gable. The cornerboards and wide cornice are also typical. The use of flush boards to accentuate the pediment is a variation not unusual in Newburyport's Greek Revival domestic architecture. Unfortunately the doorway of the house was altered when the conversion to a multiple family dwelling was made.

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

This house was built in the middle of the nineteenth century when Oakland Street was developed rapidly to house the craftsmen affiliated with the shipbuilding trade.

In 1872, Mrs. Moses Stevens was still living in the house. By 1884 the house had passed out of the family and was owned by a man named Piper, also associated with the shipbuilding on the banks of the Merrimack River.

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