

FORM B - BUILDING

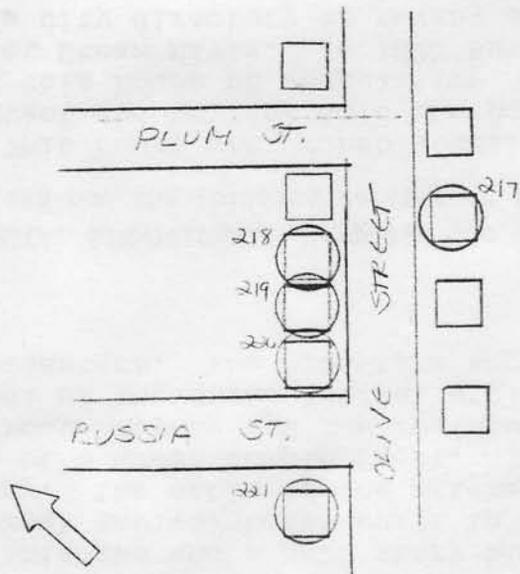
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MASSACHUSETTS HISTORICAL COMMISSION
 25 Washington Street, Boston, MA 02108



Newburyport
 Address 16 Olive Street
 Historic Name Edward Burrill House
 Original Residence
 Present Residence
 Ownership: Private individual
 Private organization _____
 Public _____
 Original owner Edward Burrill

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



DESCRIPTION:

Date c. 1844
 Source Assessor's Records
 Style Greek Revival
 Architect Unknown
 Exterior wall fabric Clapboards
 Outbuildings _____
 Major alterations (with dates) _____
 Moved _____ Date _____
 Approx. acreage 7,480 sq. ft.
 Setting in residential area of primarily eighteenth and nineteenth century domestic architecture.

Recorded by Mary Jane Stirgwolt
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ARCHITECTURAL SIGNIFICANCE (describe important architectural features and evaluate in terms of other buildings within community)

This two and a half story house with pitched roof is typical of the Greek Revival homes built in Newburyport during the mid-nineteenth century. The gable of the pitched roof faces the street creating the image of a Greek temple front. The architectural detail is limited to the front doorway and the building's cornerboards. The entrance is typical of the Greek Revival style. The door is flanked by sidelights and pilasters. The pilasters support a heavy entablature above.

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 probably built in 1844 when Frederick J. Coffin, architect and builder sold the house to Edward Burrill. Coffin probably built this house on speculation. In 1851 Burrill was a clerk at the Bartlet Steam Mills. In 1872 Burrill, still in residence here, was listed in the city directory as having a fishery on Brown's Wharf. This would be the son of the original owner.

The house remained in the Burrill family until 1913 when it was sold to Margaret T. Sheehan by the executors of Edward Burrill's estate.

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