

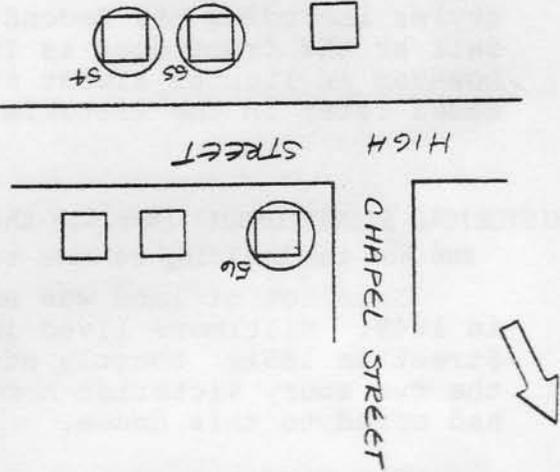
FORM B - BUILDING

MASSACHUSETTS HISTORICAL COMMISSION

294 Washington Street, Boston, MA 02108



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



Newburyport
 Address 283 High Street
 Historic Name Andrew W. Millette
 Original Residence
 Present Residence and office
 Ownership: Private individual Private organization Public
 Original owner Andrew W. Millette
 DESCRIPTION:

Date c. 1850

Source Essex County Registry of

Style Vernacular Victorian

Architect Unknown

Exterior wall fabric Clapboards

Outbuildings

Major alterations (with dates) addition at rear (date unknown)

Moved _____ Date _____

Approx. acreage 37,000 sq. ft.

Setting on Newburyport's main thoroughfare noted for its excellent

examples of domestic architecture dating from the Colonial period through the early 20th century.

(Staple additional sheets here)

Date 8-17-80

Organization Office of Community Development

Recorded by Mary Jane Stiergwalt

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

This house is vernacular Victorian with elements of several styles popular in the third quarter of the nineteenth century. The mansard roof and roof dormers are features of the Second Empire style. The brackets under the eaves are seen in many of the period's styles including the Second Empire and Italian Villa styles. The stair rail at the front door is Italianate in its weight and form. The porch however is lighter, almost stick-like in character. This may have been added later in the Victorian period when the Stick style was popular.

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

This lot of land was sold by Joshua Pilsbury to Andrew W. Miltimore in 1849. Miltimore lived in the three story Federal house at 281 High Street in 1851. Shortly after the purchase of this piece of land, the two story Victorian home was built. By 1872 Mrs. Andrew Miltimore had moved to this house.

Andrew Miltimore, probably an heir of Rev. James Miltimore who built the Federal home next door was quite active in organizing the annexation of the Belleville section of Newburyport to the town of Newburyport in 1851. On April 24, of that year, the selectman of the town, along with Daniel Colman and Andrew W. Miltimore, were authorized and instructed to settle all questions relating to the division of property, the payment of debts, and the support of the poor of Newburyport and Newbury.

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