

Massachusetts Cultural Resource Information System

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Inventory No:	NWB.733
Historic Name:	Wigglesworth, Capt. Edward House
Common Name:	Tyng, Dudley Atkins - Lunt, Abel House
Address:	29 Temple St
City/Town:	Newburyport
Village/Neighborhood:	
Local No:	525; 15-76
Year Constructed:	C 1773
Architect(s):	
Architectural Style(s):	Federal
Use(s):	Multiple Family Dwelling House; Single Family Dwelling House
Significance:	Architecture
Area(s):	NWB.L: Newburyport Historic District
Designation(s):	Nat'l Register District (8/2/1984)



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2. Town Newburyport Mass
 Street address ~~#1 Fair St~~ 733
 Name 29 Temple
 Original use Res
 Present use Res.
 Present owner George Black
 Open to public No
 Date 19? Style Gambrel
 Source of date _____
 Architect _____

- Education
- Government
- Literature
- Music
- Travel/Communication
- Military affairs
- Religion/philosophy
- Indians
- Development of town/city

3. CONDITION: Excellent Good Fair Deteriorated Moved Altered Added _____

4. DESCRIPTION

FOUNDATION/BASEMENT: High Regular Low Material: Brick
 WALL COVER: Wood Clapboard Brick Stone Other _____
 ROOF: Ridge Gambrel Flat Hip Mansard _____
 Tower Cupola Dormer windows Balustrade Grillwork _____
 CHIMNEYS: 1 2 3 4 Center End Interior Irregular Cluster Elaborate
 STORIES: 1 2 3 4 ATTACHMENTS: Wings Ell Shed _____
 PORCHES: 1 2 3 4 _____ PORTICO _____ Balcony
 FACADE: Gable end: Front/Side Ornament: _____
 Entrance: Side Front Center/Side Details: _____
 Windows: Spacing: Regular Irregular Identical/Varied _____
 Corners: Plain Pilasters Quoins Cornerboards _____

5. Indicate location of structure in relation to nearest cross streets and other buildings
 6. Footage of structure from street 6
 Property has 50 feet frontage on street



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RELATION OF SURROUNDING TO STRUCTURE

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1. Outbuildings

Shed

2. Landscape Features: Agriculture Open Wooded Garden: Formal/Informal

Predominant features

Landscape architect

None

3. Neighboring Structures

Style: Colonial Federal Greek Revival Gothic Revival Italian Villa Lombard Rom.
Venetian Gothic Mansard Richardsonian Modern

Use: Residential Commercial Religious Conditions: Excellent Good Fair Deteriorated

GIVE A BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF HISTORIC IMPORTANCE OF SITE (Refer and elaborate on theme circled on front of form)

BIBLIOGRAPHY AND/OR REFERENCE

RESTRICTIONS

Original Owner:

Deed Information: Book Number _____ Page _____, Registry of Deeds

INVENTORY FORM CONTINUATION SHEET

NEWBURYPORT

29 TEMPLE STREET

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

One of the most significant architectural features of this house is the curved front in the gambrel roof. This treatment of the eaves is quite unusual in Newburyport, occurring in only two or three other homes in the city. The two story, gambrel roofed house was built extensively in Newburyport throughout the eighteenth century. This house was clearly built during the Georgian period as is evidenced by the symmetrical five bay facade. The architectural details of the house are simple, yet classically inspired. These features include the cornice moulding, cornerboards, and front entrance.

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

The actual construction date of this house has yet to be documented. It was built prior to 1773 at which time it was purchased by Colonel Edward Wigglesworth.

Colonel Wigglesworth served in the continental army between 1776 and 1779. Later he was very prominent in the town of Newburyport. He served as a representative to the General Court in 1776 and 1785. He was a member of the Newburyport Marine Society in 1775, a member of the Marine Fire Society, and a town selectman between 1783 and 1785. Wigglesworth was part owner of the Newburyport Woolen Manufacturing Company established in 1794. Between 1792 and 1795 Wigglesworth was the collectors of customs for the port. In 1796 his fortunes failed and this house was sold to pay his creditors. The house was purchased by Dudley Atkins Tyng.

Tyng was also a prominent merchant in Newburyport. He owned the house for only three years selling it to David Coffin in 1799. Coffin sold the house to Abel Lunt, the next year.

George Lunt, son of Abel, was born in this house on December 31, 1803. The younger Lunt graduated from Harvard in 1824 and became a lawyer. He served in the General Court in 1830 and in the state senate between 1835 and 1836. George Lunt was the U. S. Attorney for the State of Massachusetts between 1849 and 1853. He moved to Boston in 1848 but owned the house at 41 Fair Street through 1851. Between 1856 and 1865 Lunt was the editor of the Boston Courier. He died on May 17, 1885.

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