

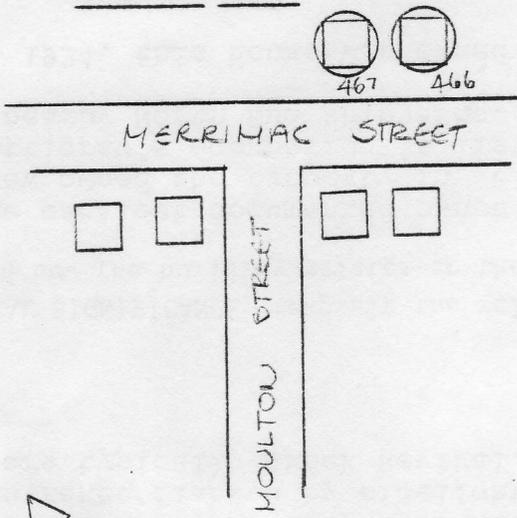
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MASSACHUSETTS HISTORICAL COMMISSION



town Newburyport  
 Address 470 Merrimac 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. 1830  
 Source Building Fabric  
 Style Greek Revival  
 Architect Unknown  
 Exterior wall fabric Clapboards  
 Outbuildings \_\_\_\_\_

Major alterations (with dates) window sash replaced (date unknown)

Moved \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Approx. acreage 46, 100 sq. ft.

Setting in area of mixed residential and commercial uses along the bank of the Merrimack River.

Recorded by Mary Jane Stirgwolt

Organization Office of Community Development

Date 12-15-80

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

This two family dwelling with pitched roof and three bay facade is typical of the vernacular Greek Revival homes built in Newburyport during the second quarter of the nineteenth century. The influence of the Greek style is evident in the placement of the roof gable facing the street, suggestive of a Greek temple front. The building's cornerboards and the front entrance flanked by sidelights and pilasters with bold entablature above, are typically Greek Revival.

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

The earliest documented owner of this house is Abert S. Pettigrew. Pettigrew owned the property in 1872. In the City Directory published in 1871 Pettigrew's occupation is listed as shipsmith. He undoubtedly worked in the nearby North End shipyards.

In 1924, this house was owned by Georgeanna Emery.

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