

FORM B - BUILDING

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MASSACHUSETTS HISTORICAL COMMISSION
 _____ Street, Boston, MA 02108



Newburyport

Address 4 Orange Street

Historic Name Capt. Philip Aubin House

Original Residence

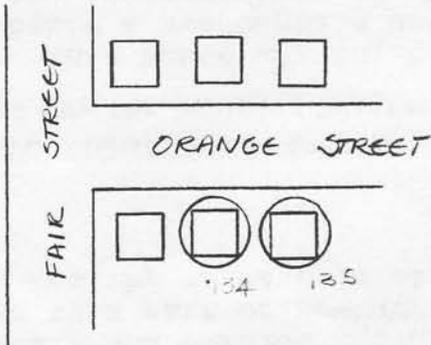
Present Residence

Ownership: Private individual
 Private organization

Public _____

Original owner Capt. Philip Aubin

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



DESCRIPTION:

Date 1783

Source Newburyport Daily News

Style Georgian

Architect Unknown

Exterior wall fabric Clapboards

Outbuildings Garage

Major alterations (with dates) _____

Moved _____ Date _____

Approx. acreage 7,340 sq. ft.

Setting in residential area of 18th and 19th century houses.

Recorded by Mary Jane Stirgwolt

Organization Office of Community Development

Date 09-01-80

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

This house is a fine example of the gambrel roofed dwellings built in Newburyport during the eighteenth century. This house was influenced by the prevailing Georgian style as is evidenced by the symmetrical five bay facade and the classically inspired window lintels and cornice moulding. This house was built during the period when this part of Newburyport was inhabited by the upper class. Later, the wealthy mercantile class built homes along the ridge now High Street.

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 by Capt. Philip Aubin in 1783. Aubin was probably a sea captain but looked ahead as well. In 1794 he was one of the incorporators of the Newburyport Woolen Manufacturing Company, one of the earliest textile mills in the area.

In 1851 4 Orange Street was owned by Forrest Eaton. As is evidenced by the change in ownership of this house, the economy of Newburyport was also changing. While the original owner was primarily associated with the sea, Mr. Eaton was associated with the then developing textile industry. He was the overseer in the card room at the Globe Steam Mill located at the corner of Federal and Water Streets.

By 1872, the house had been sold to Daniel Young. Young sold stoves in a shop at 10-12 Merrimac Street. Young's widow continued to live in this house after the death of her husband.

In 1968, this house was divided into four apartments.

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