

FORM B - BUILDING

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MASSACHUSETTS HISTORICAL COMMISSION
 1730 Washington Street, Boston, MA 02108

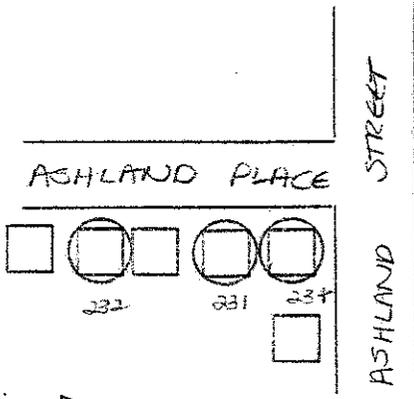


Newburyport
5 Ashland Place
 Historic Name _____
 Original Residence
 Present Residence
 Ownership: Private individual
 Private organization _____
 Public _____
 Original owner William G. Merrill

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

DESCRIPTION:

Date c. 1840
 Source Building Fabric
 Style Greek Revival
 Architect Unknown
 Exterior wall fabric Clapboards
 Outbuildings Garage



Major alterations (with dates) _____
 Moved _____ Date _____
 Approx. acreage 13,000 sq. ft.
 Setting in residential area of
eighteenth and nineteenth century
dwelling adjacent to the banks of
the Merrimack River.

Recorded by Mary Jane Stirgwolt
 Organization Office of Community
Development
 Date 12-28-80

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

This two story house with pitched roof and symmetrical, five bay facade has several features typical of the Greek Revival period. These include the wide cornice fascia and the front entrance which is flanked by sidelights and pilasters supporting 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 building was probably built by William G. Merrill, owner of the house in 1872. Merrill was a shipcarpenter probably employed in the Merrill yard at Moggridge's Point. Charles P. Merrill also a shipcarpenter was also in residence in this house at that time.

This house remained in the Merrill family until 1911 when the estate of Eliza A. Merrill sold the property to Lizzie M. Martin.

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