

FORM B - BUILDING

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MASSACHUSETTS HISTORICAL COMMISSION



Newburyport

Address 7 Salem Street

Builder Name \_\_\_\_\_

Original Residence

Present Residence

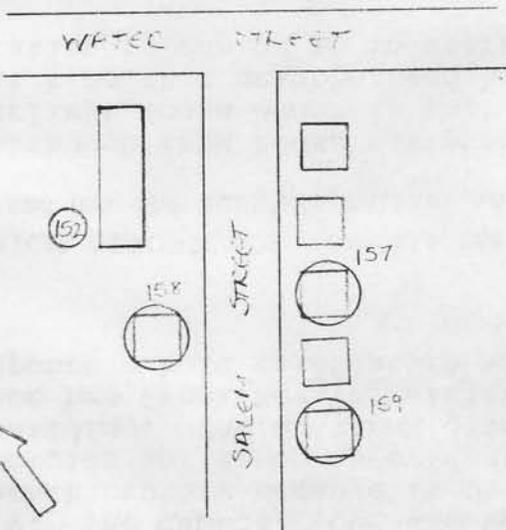
Ownership:  Private individual  
 Private organization \_\_\_\_\_

Public \_\_\_\_\_

Original owner Unknown

SKETCH MAP

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



DESCRIPTION:

Date Eighteenth Century

Source Building Fabric

Style Georgian

Architect Unknown

Exterior wall fabric Clapboards

Outbuildings Shed

Major alterations (with dates) addition at rear, front entrance altered (dates unknown)

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

Approx. acreage 5,890 sq. ft.

Setting in district of mixed residential and industrial uses centered around the factory complex originally built as the James Steam Mills in 1842.

Recorded by Mary Jane Stirgwolt

Organization Office of Community Development

Date 11-4-80

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

This house is a fine example of the two and a half story Georgian homes built in Newburyport's South End during the mid to late eighteenth century. The gambrel roof was very popular until the turn of the nineteenth century because it offered so much head room in the attic floor. The Georgian influence is evident in the symmetrical five bay facade of this building. The original doorway has been altered and today the front entrance has Greek Revival elements including pilasters that flank the door and support a bold 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)

Although this house was probably built in the late eighteenth century, the earliest known owner is that noted on the 1851 Plan of Newburyport. By that time this neighborhood had changed from its original maritime orientation to one of an industrial bent.

The owner of this house in 1851 was Moses J. Goodwin. Goodwin was a shoemaker. This was a cottage industry that was industrialized during the 1860's and 1870's.

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