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MASSACHUSETTS HISTORICAL COMMISSION



Newburyport

Address 8-10 Spring Street

Historic Name _____

Original Residence

Present Residence

Ownership: Private individual
 Private organization _____

Public _____

Original owner Samuel Noyes

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

DESCRIPTION:

Date c. 1785

Source Historical marker

Style Georgian

Architect Unknown

Exterior wall fabric Clapboards

Outbuildings Shed

Major alterations (with dates) doorway

altered (mid-nineteenth century),

additions at rear, window sash
replaced (dates unknown)

Moved _____ Date _____

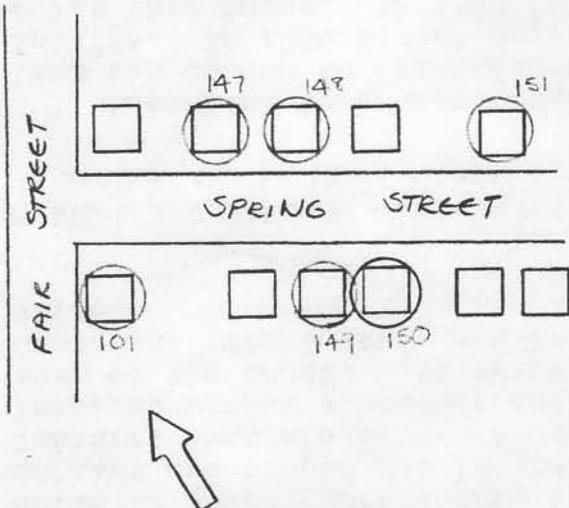
Approx. acreage 4,430 sq. ft.

Setting in densely built up area

in which the predominant building

is that of eighteenth century single

family dwellings.



Recorded by Mary Jane Stirgwort

Organization Office of Community
Development

Date 9-20-80

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

This house is a good example of the Georgian gambrel roofed houses built in Newburyport during the eighteenth century. The architectural details are simple and limited to the doorway and various mouldings. Features that are evidence of the Georgian influence are the classically inspired window surrounds and lintels, the cornice moulding. The overall form of the house, with symmetrical five bay facade, is also typically Georgian. The doorway has been altered and presently Greek Revival in style.

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

According to a historical marker on this house, this lot of land was deeded to Caleb Greenleaf by his grandfather, John Greenleaf, in 1768. In 1786 Samuel Noyes purchased the property and subsequently built this house. In 1789 it was sold to Captain Abraham Wheelwright who lived in the house for a number of years.

In 1851, the house was owned by Eben S. Sweetser. The Sweetser family had a dry goods store at 11 Liberty Street.

Nicholas B. Lake purchased this house before 1872. Lake was also a dry goods dealer. His shop was located at 12 State Street. Lake owned the house for several decades.

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