

FORM B - BUILDING

Area	Form no.
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MASSACHUSETTS HISTORICAL COMMISSION



City Newburyport

Address 38 and 40 Forrester Street

Historic Name _____

Original Use Residential

Present Use Residential

Ownership: Private individual
 Private organization _____

Public _____

Original owner Albert Carrier

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

DESCRIPTION:

Date c. 1860

Source Building Fabric

Style Greek Revival

Architect Unknown

Exterior wall fabric Clapboards

Outbuildings _____

Major alterations (with dates) shed

dormer added to 40 Forrester Street

(date unknown)

Moved _____ Date _____

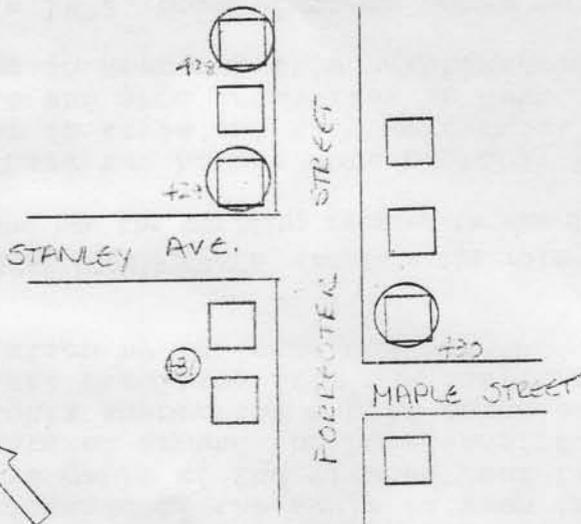
Approx. acreage _____

Setting in residential area of

nineteenth and twentieth century

structures near the banks of the

Merrimack River.



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

These two, two story homes are typical of the Greek Revival dwellings built in Newburyport during the third quarter of the nineteenth century. The influence of the style is seen in the orientation of the building's with the gable of the pitched roof facing the street. The Greek details are centered around the buildings' doorways. The doors are flanked by sidelights supporting a bold entablature above. These houses are nearly identical resulting from the fact that they were probably built on speculation by the same man.

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

These two houses were probably built on speculation. They are very similar in style and they were built during a period when the growth of the textile and shoe industries in Newburyport produced an increased demand for housing in Newburyport's neighborhoods.

In 1872, both of these homes were owned by Albert Currier. Currier was a prominent contractor and one-time mayor of the city. He built several of the mills in Newburyport and owned residential structures in the surrounding neighborhoods.

In 1910 Sarah M. Clark and Lydia M. Robinson sold these houses to Willard Hatch, another individual that invested heavily in real estate in the North End.

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