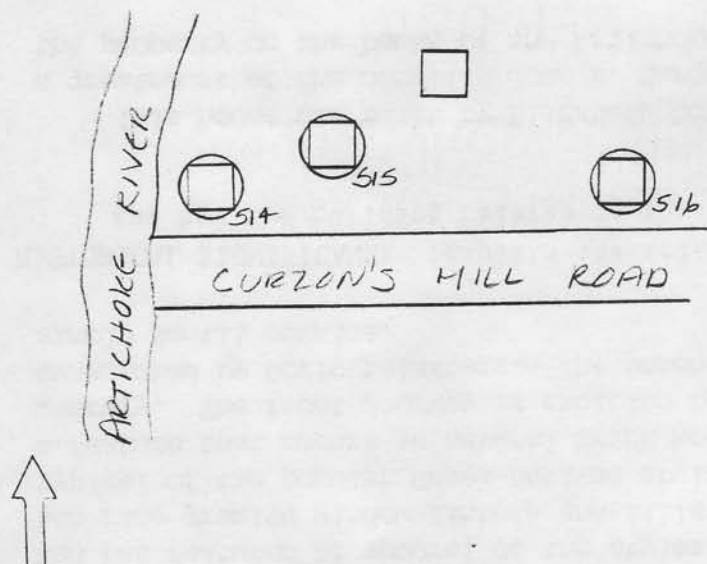


MASSACHUSETTS HISTORICAL COMMISSION



SKETCH MAP

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

n Newburyportress Curzon's Mill Road

toric Name _____

: Original ResidencePresent Residence
 ership: ☒ Private individual
 Private organization _____

Public _____

Original owner Elizabeth Curzon

HOXIE

DESCRIPTION:

Date 1859Source Marquand, "History of Curzon's Mill"Style Vernacular VictorianArchitect UnknownExterior wall fabric Brick

Outbuildings _____

Major alterations (with dates) Wooden

addition at rear (date unknown)

Moved _____ Date _____

Approx. acreage 1.58 acres
 Setting in rural wooded area on the
outskirts of Newburyport.
Recorded by Mary Jane Stirgwalt
 Organization Office of Community
Development
Date April 11, 1981

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

This two story house with pitched roof dates from the mid-nineteenth century and has features of several of the styles popular during that period. The house has fine granite window lintels and sills. These rectangular stone elements were typical of the popular Greek Revival style. The house has a brick dentil cornice, a feature that occurs in several brick houses built during the mid-nineteenth century. The front doorway is enclosed by an unusual entrance porch. It is ornamented by Doric pilasters. The porch also has a wide cornice fascia and a simple dentil cornice.

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 Elizabeth Curzon Hoxie in 1859. Elizabeth Hoxie was a great-aunt of the novelist John P. Marquand. The Curzon family owned much of the property on the banks of the Artichoke River.

Elizabeth Hoxie had earlier been a resident of the Brook Farm experiment. The fact that the north wall of the dwelling is void of all windows except for one in the attic. It has been said that future plans of the builder included an addition to the house for another communal colony.

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