

Historic Salem incorporated

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97 BOSTON STREET

Built for

SAMUEL TUCKER, mariner

circa 1782

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*"to preserve Historic Sites, Buildings and objects,
and to work for the education of the community
in the true value of the same."*

97 BOSTON STREET

"This main highway, now called Boston street, was the ancient road from Salem to Salem Village and Boston. It was called a road in 1717; the main road or street in 1721; the country road in 1724; Boston road in 1759; reat country road leading to Salem in 1795; Boston street in 1795; road leading to Boston in 1797; West street in 1813; road leading from the South meeting-house to Salem in 1814; and since then Boston street."

This land was part of what was known, in the early days, as the plain, Salem plain, Mill plain, or Trask's plain. It ran from Blubber hollow (the intersection of Boston and Bridge streets) to the Peabody line and from the North river to Gallows' hill. (The Essex Antiquarian, vol. 7 pg. 18)

CHAIN OF TITLE:

REGISTERED LAND DOC. 135577

CERT. 40561

DATE - October 14, 1970

TRANSFER CERT. 30785

OWNER - Gerald B. Selznick of Chelsea

DESCRIPTION -

Northwest - Noah 133.07

Northeast - Boston St. 58.22

Southeast - John C. Bott and Charles Noah 131.32

Southwest - Noah 57.94

CERT. 36785

DATE - August 11, 1961

TRANSFER CERT. 16323

OWNER - William F. Mc Kinnon and Adele D. Mc Kinnon of Danvers

DESCRIPTI]ON - same

CERT. 16323

DATE - February 1, 1946

TRANSFER CERT. 15470

OWNER - Jacob Galper and A. Sidney Galper each 1/2

DESCRIPTION - same

CERT. 15470

DATE - November 1, 1944

TRANSFER CERT. 883

OWNER - William McGrath of Minneapolis, Minn.; Helen McCloskey
wife of Donald; Agnes Fennell wife of Laurence and
Catherine wife of Richard - one quarter each

DESCRIPTION - same

CERT. 883

DATE - August 11, 1911

TRANSFER CERT. 848

OWNER - John McGrath

DESCRIPTION - same

CERT. 848

DATE - May 4, 1911

TRANSFER CERT. - this is the original

OWNER - J. Frank Dalton

DESCRIPTION - as on plan

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DATE November 21, 1906

GRANTOR Henry G. Briggs, Francis A. Low, George H. Low, George C. Briggs, John F. Briggs, Adaline R. Briggs, Charles Briggs, William Briggs, Susan Briggs, Edward F. Briggs, William and Eliza Hill, Charles and Nancy Brown, Thomas P. Knowland and his wife Susan, Frank E. and Lizzie Hobart, Elizabeth Hall, Edward C. Briggs, Emily Briggs, Clarissa A. Briggs, Charles P. Briggs, Emily Briggs, Caleb Tucker Briggs, Eunice Winchester, Eliza Hall and Lizzie Hobart

GRANTEE J. Frank Dalton

DESCRIPTION Land and dwelling house
Northwest - Samuel Noah
Northeast - Boston St.
Southeast - Samuel Noah and John Bott
Southwest - Samuel Noah

PREVIOUS REFERENCE - none given

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DATE - November 14, 1781

GRANTOR - Enos Pope

GRANTEE - Samuel Tucker, mariner

DESCRIPTION - Tract of land on the south side of Trask's Plain
Northwest - by land conveyed to Edward Tucker 8 poles (132')
Northeast - Country Road 3 1/2 poles (57.7')
Southeast - Proprietors of the horse pasture 8 poles
Southwest - Enos Pope 3 1/2 poles

Reference to book and page are deed books at the Registry of Deeds. Probate numbers are cases at Probate Court. Both offices are located in the same building on Federal St. All maps in this report are for illustrative purposes and are not meant to be exact.

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NOTES: This house was built by Samuel Tucker, mariner, shortly after his purchase of the land in November of 1781. The Salem tax records indicate that Samuel paid the tax on half a house (as a tenant) prior to 1782 and an entire house thereafter.

Salem tax records

Ward 4

1779 Samuel Tucker 1/2 house
1781 " " "
1782 Samuel Tucker house and land

Very little could be found regarding the life of Samuel Tucker. Since there were several men of the same name during this time period, it is difficult to determine all the facts. It is known that this Samuel Tucker married Desire Foster on November 27, 1773. Samuel died before November 1793, the date an inventory was taken of his estate. His wife, Desire, was granted guardianship of their children: Sally, Betty, Nancy, Caleb F. and Hannah. The Tucker family remained in this house for many years. In 1815 Samuel's children Caleb, Nancy Briggs and Hannah Shorey sold the four acres of tillage, mentioned in the inventory, to their sister Sally Osborne (book 205 page 281). The property at 97 Boston St. was never transferred out of the family until 1906 when the heirs sold it to J. Frank Dalton.

Salem Tax List

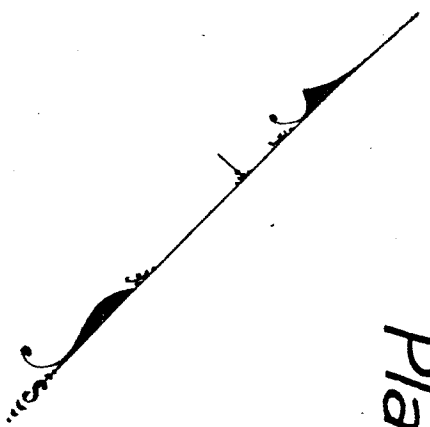
1910 J. Frank Dalton 97 Boston St. House, \$1,200; land 2470 ft. \$1,200; Value of Real Estate \$2,400; Total tax \$44.40

Plan of Land in Salem.

Scale 10 feet to an inch.

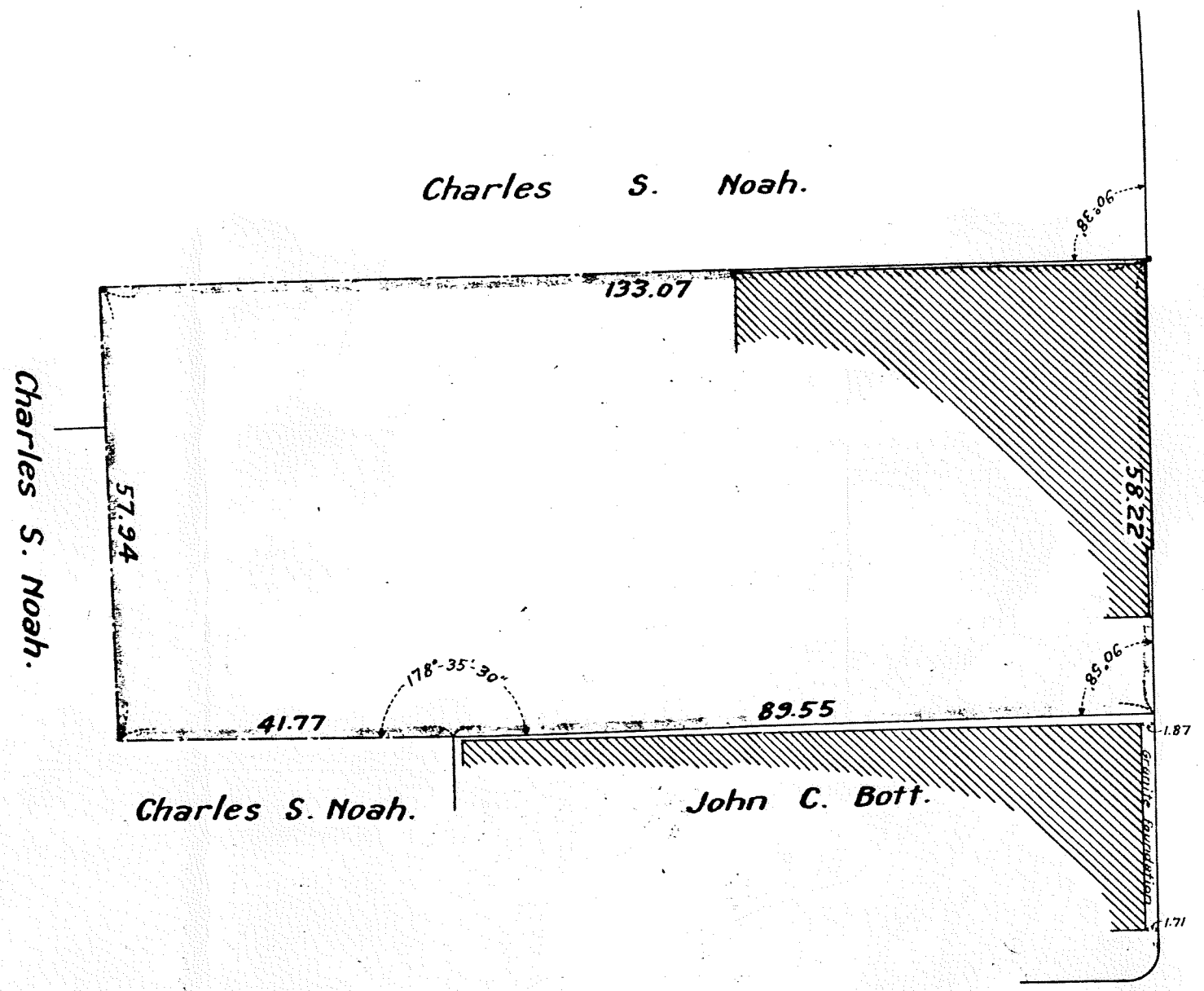
DEC. 1909.

Chas. A. Metcalf, Surveyor.



BOSTON ST.

HANSON ST.



South Registry District
Map of 1911

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An Inventory of the Estate of Samuel Tucker late of Salem
 in the County of Essex manner deceased taken by us the Subscribers
 by appointment from the Honorable Benj. Greenleaf Esq. Judge
 of Probate of Wills &c for said ^{County} after being duly qualified do
 appraise as followeth Viz:

his late Dwelling house with the land under and adjoining with the out building thereon	£200:0:0
four Acres of tillage & mowing land in said Salem near ^{Frank Aborn} as it now lies undivided with land of his brother Edward Tucker	40:0:0
one Common right in the horse pastures called in said Salem	12:0:0
best looking glass 36/ best mahogany table 36/ Stand table 20/	4:12:0
Six green dining Chair 27/ twelve green bow'd Chair 5 1/4/	4:11:0
one old mahogany Desk 30/ fire shovel & tongues 6/ Glass ware 6/	2:2:0
China ware of money scales 2/ two Servers 1/6 case of Walnut Drawers 30/	1:19:6
two trunks 8/ best trunk 9/ one old case of Drawers 9/ best quilt 2 1/4/	2:10:0
four Callaco quilts 36/ one new horsepan counterpan 2 1/4/ two ruggs 40/	5:0:0
five Blankets 30/ four pair of Cotton Sheets 48/ two pair of linnen Sheets 18/	4:16:0
three Callaco Window Curtains 9/ four horsepan window Curtains 6/	3:10:0
one old umbrella & one old ^{Spice} Glass 9/ best bed bolster & pillows weigh 60 at 1/6	0:15:0
underbed bedstead & cord 15/ one other bed bolster & pillows weigh 53 at 1/6	5:9:0
underbed bedstead & cord 12/ one other bed with bolster & pillows weigh 56 at 1/6	4:14:6
underbed bedstead & cord 9/ one other bed with a bolster weigh 30 at 1/2	3:8:0
underbed bedstead & cord 9/ one sea bed with a pillow weigh 25 at 1/8	2:15:8
Sea cloaths 30/ two pair of old boots 18/ old sea chest & ^{trunk}	1:5:8
old sea wares & charts 12/ sea bedding 12/ one Hadley's quadrant ^{weighs 4/}	2:12:0
his wareing appraill exclusive of his Sea Cloaths with a scaled	4:4:0
one finelock 18/ two old Carpets 3/ Six cases of gun powder 48:15:0	13:9:0
old bundle 3/ old barrels 12/ six empty bottles with baskets 6/	9:15:0
four empty Cases with bottles 16/ old ^{tray} baskets 3/ hatcher chain 6/	1:1:0
one pair kitchen handjrons & one small pair of handjrons 3/	0:12:0
tongues Slice & travellers 5/ one pair of bellows 1/6 three small tables 7/6	0:14:0
Candlesticks 3/ old knives & forks 3/ two old Coffee mills 4/6 best shirt 3/	0:10:6
one warmingpan 3/ old flat jrons 3/ tin ware 6/ delf ware 9/	1:1:0
Small scales & weights 12/ small looking glass 1/6 fine table cloaths 10/	1:3:6
thirteen & 1/2 pounds of quiter 13/6 eleven napkins 6/ twelve tow napkins 3/	1:2:6
ten Cotton & linnen pillow cases 15/ nine linnen D ^s 13/6	1:8:0
one iron kettle 9/ three small ^{D^s} 4/6 one iron pot 4/6 one iron Basin 2/	1:3:0
one tea kettle 4/6 old toaster gridiron & Chafin dish 6/ spit & dripping pan 1/6	1:15:0
two bushels of barley 9/ old potter ware 1/ old ^{Ac} 2/ two dining chairs 4/	0:16:0
three spinning wheels 12/ one Case of Castor oyle 2 1/4/	1:16:0
one Cow 40/ one other Cow 54/ one hog 40/ one safor box & safor 3/	6:17:0
old Books 18/ nine ounces & 1/4 of silver in spoons & old Knives 66/	4:4:0
Sugar tongues plated 2/ one note of hand against Enos Pope for 24/ dated march 7. 1791 Interest 3/4	1:9:2
one iron stove 36/	1:16:0

£356 13 0

Sum brought from the other side - - - - - £	356:13:0
fourteen hundred & thirty seven pounds of Cotton wool at 1/6	107:15:6
four thousand five hundred & forty pounds of Coffee at 1/9 1/2	179:14:2
forty hundred no quarters & nineteen pounds of Sugar at 50/	100:10:0 1/2
nine hundred & forty Gallons of molasses at 2/4 - - - - -	121:8:4
two hundred & eighty seven Gallons of molasses at 2/8 - - - - -	38:5:2
Cash on hand eighty five pounds two shillings - - - - -	85:2:0
	<u>£ 969:08:2 1/2</u>

Salem Eleventh month 13 day 1793

Desier Tucker Adm^r

Specials, Nov^r 15th 1793

Step: Goodme
William Truitt
Cleazar Phee
Committee
affirmed

Mrs Desier Tucker Adm^r presented the above written and made Oath that it contained a true and perfect Inventory of the estate of Sam^r Tucker late of Salem Mariner dec^d so far as has come to her hands or knowledge and that if any thing further shall hereafter appear she will cause it to be related Beforeme & Granted as I do

Inventory of the estate of
Samuel Tucker late of
Salem dec^d

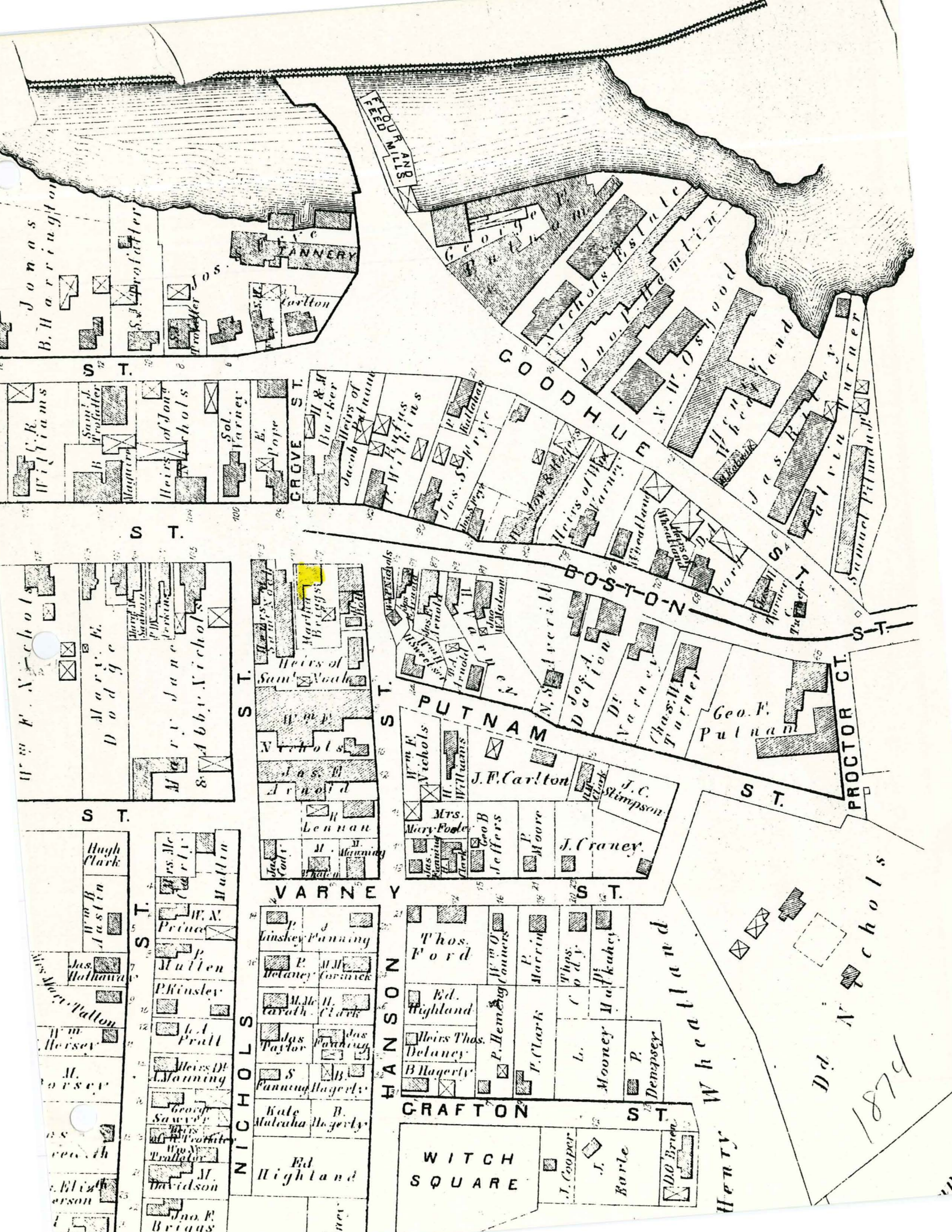
November 15th 1793.

Recorded

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(Mariner)



Jonas B. Harrington
S. J. Spolatter
TANNERY
Gorton

FEED MILLS
Goodhue St.
Nichols
J. H. O'Sullivan
Wheatland
Jas. F. Varney
Samuel Putnam

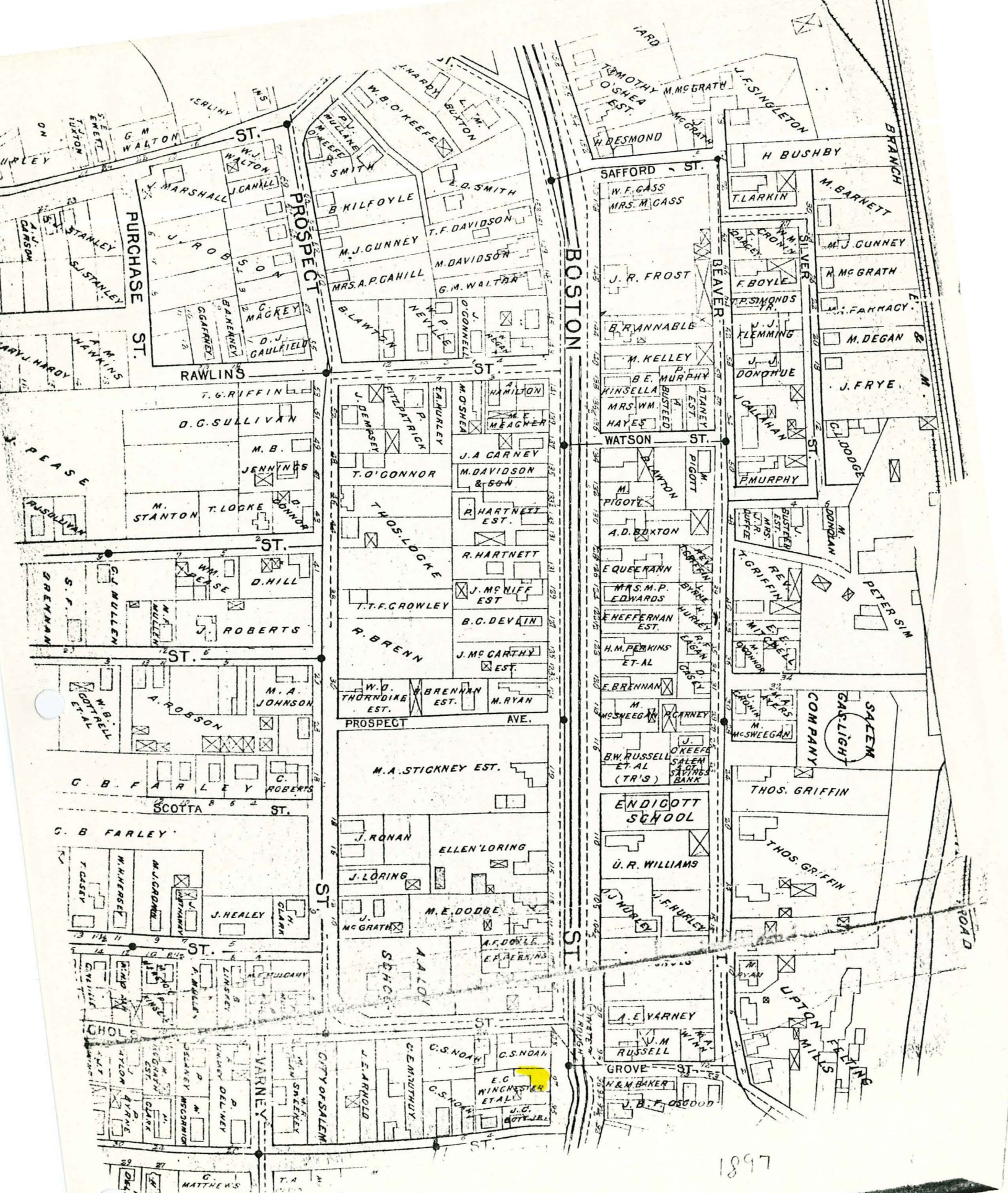
W. R. Williams
S. J. Spolatter
Magnum
Heirs of John Nichols
Sol. Varney
E. Pope
GRGVE ST.
H. & M. Barker
Jacob Heirs of Putnam
T. H. Higgins
Jas. S. Putnam
Miss Sperry

Wm F. Nichols
Mary E. Dodge
Mary Jane Nichols
Abbey Nichols
S. T.

BOSTON ST.
Putnam St.
N. S. Averill
D. A. Dalton
D. Varney
Chas. H. Turner
Geo. F. Putnam
S. T.

Hugh Clark
Wm B. Austin
Mrs. Mary Patton
Wm Heisey
M. Forsey
Mrs. McArthur
Wm W. Trullator
M. Davidson
Geo. F. Briaus
S. T.

Varney St.
Hanson St.
Grafton St.
Witch Square
Wheatland
D. D. Nichols
1874
Thos. Ford
Ed. Highland
Heirs Thos. Delaney
B. Hagerty
P. Hemingway
F. Clark
Thos. O'Donnell
P. Harrington
Thos. O'Donnell
C. O'Donnell
Mooney
Denpsey
J. Cooper
K. R. Le
D. D. Brown



1897

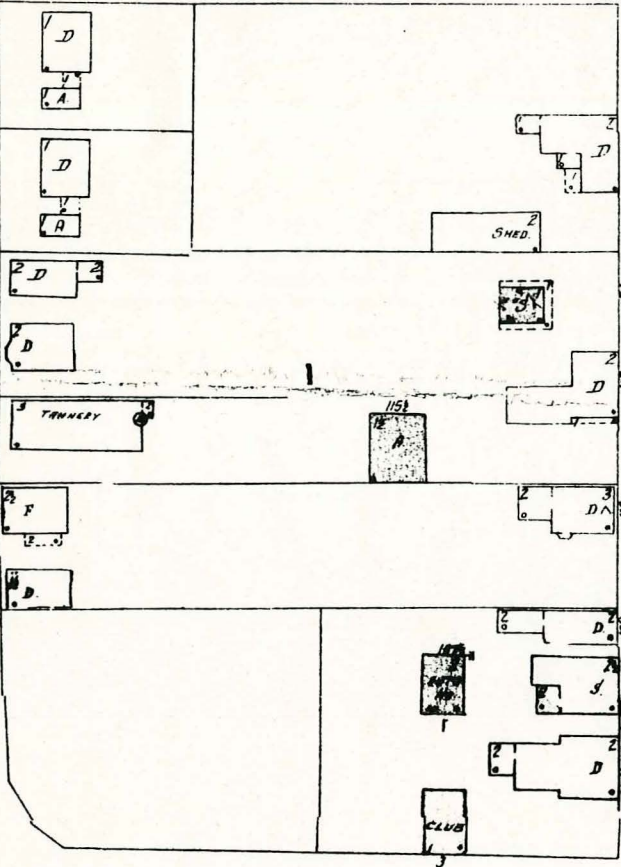


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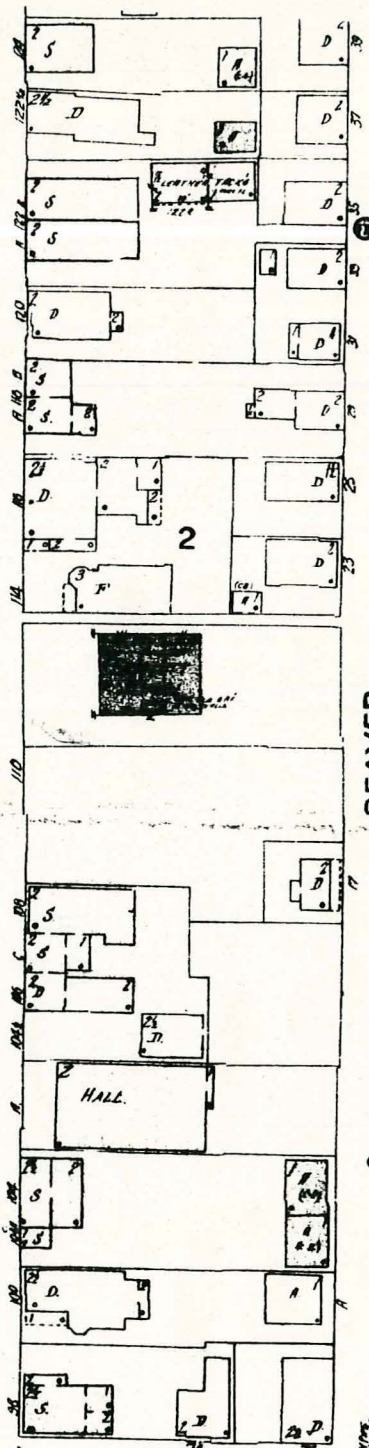


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BOSTON

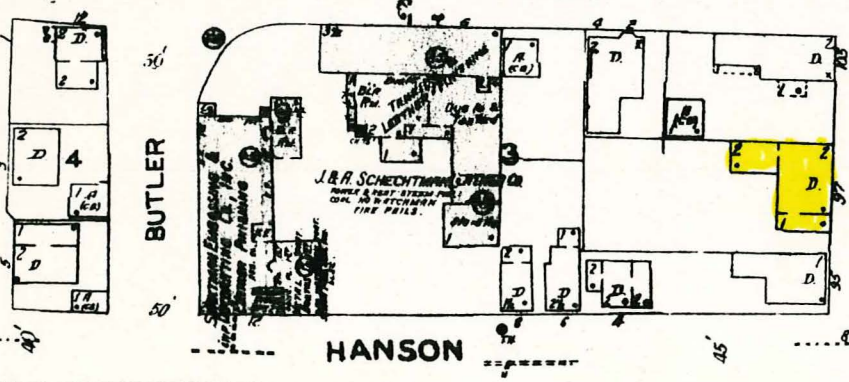
BEAVER

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GROVE

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HANSON

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