

THE
HISTORY OF
3 RIDGEWAY ST.
SALEM, MASS.

1861

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August 1970

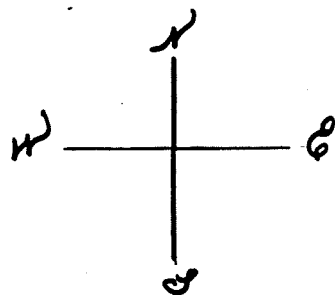
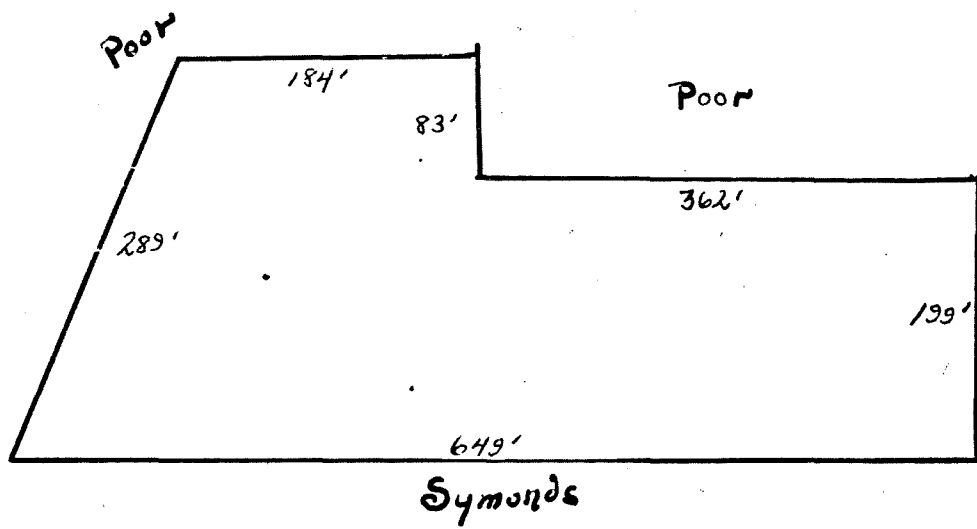
DEED TITLES

<u>Book</u>	<u>Leaf</u>	
3466	364	- Telka Biskup to Chester Bishop and Erwin E. Bishop - 27. June 1946 - "lot #14; with the buildings thereon" - Bounds: NE on Ridgeway St. 106 ft. SE by Lot #13 120.5 ft. SW by Bruce and Hopkins 109 ft. NW by Lot #15 103 ft. - (12,193 sq. ft.)
2723	288	- Mary Pawlyk and Aniela Stankiewicz to Telka Biskup - 21. May 1927 - "lot #14; with the buildings thereon" - bounds as in 3466 - 364.
2630	189	- George S. Kingston to Mary Pawlyk and Aniela Stankiewicz - 28. March 1925 - "lot # 14; with the buildings thereon" - bounds as in 3466 - 364.
2618	214	- John H. Carr of Malden to George S. Kingston of Salem - 5. November 1924 - "with the buildings thereon" - "being lot #14 as shown on a plan of lots at Cressey Manor belonging to John H. Carr."
2612	483	- Josephine E. Cressey, widow, and Josiah P. Cressey, both of Boston, to John H. Carr - 26. September 1924 - "a certain parcel of land with the buildings thereon" - See Plan I for bounds.
#92338		- Administration of the Estate of Emily F. Cressy of Salem - dated 1903.
719	241	- Caleb A. Smith and Frances M. Smith (in her right) to Emily F. Cressy

- 2
- 14. March 1867
 - "with the buildings thereon"
 - bounds as in 2612 - 483.
 - \$ 5000.00
- 660 249 - Henry Wheatland to Frances M. Smith (wife of Caleb A. Smith)
- 26. December 1863
 - "with the buildings thereon"
 - \$ 1400.00.
 - See Plan II for bounds
 - "the premises are the same which were mortgaged to me by Mary E. F. Symonds by two deeds"
- 613 281 - Edward D. Kimball to Frances M. Smith
- 23. August 1860
 - "3 $\frac{1}{2}$ acres of land with the dwelling house and all other buildings thereon standing"
 - \$ 3500.00
 - See Plan III for bounds.
- 625 249 - Mary E. F. Symonds to Henry Wheatland
- 25. July 1861
 - "with the buildings thereon"
 - mortgage deed; amount: \$ 675.00
 - bounds as in 660 - 249
- 549 39 - Mary E. F. Symonds to Henry Wheatland
- 7. April 1857
 - "with the buildings thereon"
 - mortgage deed; amount: \$ 1000.00
 - bounds as in 660 - 249
- 514 265 - Caleb A Smith to Edward D. Kimball
- 15. June 1855
 - "3 $\frac{1}{2}$ acres with the dwelling house and all other buildings therestanding.
 - \$ 4500.00
 - bounds as in 613 - 281
- 513 12 - Pierce L. W. Gardner to Caleb A. Smith
- 5. May 1855
 - "a certain parcel of land with the buildings thereon"
 - \$ 2875.00
 - bounds as in 613 - 281.
- 513 12 - Pierce L. W. Gardner to Caleb A. Smith
- 5. May 1855
 - same premises as 513 - 12 above
 - \$ 1000.00

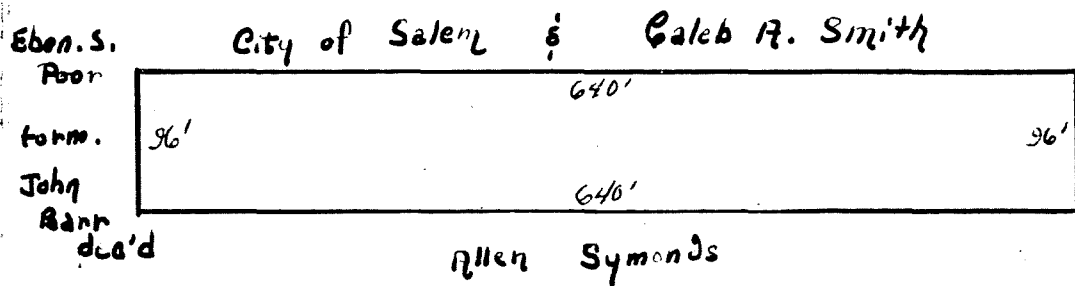
PLAN I

1924



PLAN II

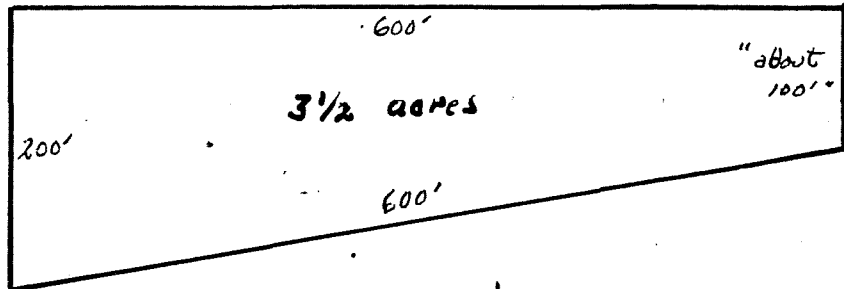
1863



PLAN III

1860

"Bar Pasture"



North
St.

Symonds

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SALEM TAX RECORDS

These manuscript books are presently (1970) located in the basement of Salem City Hall, Washington St., Salem.

Excerpts:

- "1856 - Caleb A. Smith: house North St. 2000.
land 146 No. St. 800.
- 1857 - Caleb A. Smith: house North St. 2000.
land North St. 800.
- 1858 - Caleb A. Smith: (ink) Orchard Lot North St. 600.
(pencil) House & land North St. 2000.
- 1858 - Edward D. Kimball of Danvers: (ink) House &
land North St. 2000.
(pencil) Caleb A. Smith
- 1859 - Caleb A. Smith: Orchard lot North St. 600.
House & land North St. 2000.
Land North St. 800.
Total tax: 29.20
- 1859 - Edward D. Kimball of Danvers: Land North St.
- 1860 - Caleb A. Smith: Large lot of land North St.
Orchard lot North St.
poll tax: 1.50
- 1860 - Edward D. Kimball of Danvers:
House and land North St. 2000.
Lge. lot of land, North St. E. side 800.
Orchard lot, North St. W. side 600.
- 1861 - Caleb A. Smith: poll tax 1.50
- 1862 - Caleb A. Smith: House - North St. 1000.
Barn 150.
Land - 2½ acres 1650.
Total Tax: 50.62
- 1863 - Caleb A. Smith: ditto 1862
- 1864 - Caleb A. Smith:
House 143 North St. 500. land 1 3/4 a. 800.
Barn 100.
House North Salem 1000. land 1½ acres 850.
Barn 150.

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	Land E. side of North St. 1 acre	800.
	Total Tax:	49.88
1865	- Caleb A Smith: 2 horses and Carriages	
	Income: 5000. Tax: 75.	
	House on Hill North St.	1000.
	Barn	200.
	House 146 North St.	500.
	Barn	100.
	Land 1½ acres	800.
	Land, mowing and tillage 1 3/4 acres	800.
	Land E. side of North St. 1 acre	800.
	(real estate) Total Tax:	140.
1866	- Caleb A. Smith: 2 horses 400. Carriages 400.	
	Income 3000. (personal) Tax 38.	
	House on Hill 1500. land 1½ acres 1000.	
	Barn 300.	
	(pencil) sold Capt. Wm. A. Creesy	
	House 146 North St. 600. 1 3/4 acres 1000.	
	(pencil) sold Capt. Creesy	
	Land on E. Side of North St. 1 acre 800.	
1867	- William A. Creasy:	
	House on Hill 2000. Land 1½ acres 1000.	
	Barn 300.	
	House 146 North St. 600.	
	Land E. side of North St. 1 acre 800.	
	Total Tax: 117.50	
1868	- William A. Creasy: stocks 2500. Horse 200.	
	Carriage 110.	
	House 145 north St. 2000. Barn 300.	
	House 146 North St. 800.	
	Land 1½ acres 1000.	
	Land 1 acre 600.	
	Total Tax: 104.25"	

Note: Figures given are assessed values.
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The following are excerpts from Salem City Directories for the years listed below. These are in the possession of the Essex Institute, Salem.

- "1855 - Caleb A. Smith; sperm oil & candles 13 Front;
h. 79 Lafayette
- 1857 - Caleb A. Smith; Danvers Iron Works; house 143
North
- 1859 - Caleb A. Smith; house 143 North
Pierce L. W. Gardner - unlisted
Edward D. Kimball - unlisted
- 1861 - Caleb A. Smith; house 145 North
- 1864 - Caleb A. Smith; house 145 North
- 1866 - Caleb A. Smith; house 145 North
William A. Cressy - unlisted
Emily F. Cressy - unlisted
- 1869 - Caleb A. Smith; house 1 Lynde
William A. Cressy; master mariner; house 145 North
- 1872 - William A. Cressy - ditto 1869

Note: There were no directories published for Salem for the years in between those listed above. dtg

Note:

It is my conjecture that this house was built in 1861. This I base on the variations of the values in the Salem tax records. Also, according to a list in the day books kept by the City of Salem for the year 1860, presently in the Essex Institute, no dwelling houses were built on North St. during that year.

Components from earlier buildings could have been used in the construction of this house (the front columns are certainly earlier), however, the basic style of the dwelling is of about the Civil War period. Heavy cornice mouldings adorn the exterior windows and doors and the typical gingerbread is also apparent. Fireplace mantels are all late post & lintel designed and the original kitchen fireplace wall has equipment bearing the date 1858.

The Salem Directories also back up the 1861 date with change in address of Caleb A. Smith in this period.

J. D. Gardner

1/18/72	2 Andover St.	Beckford - Whipple House	
1/18/72	115 Federal St.	Jacob Sanderson Workshop	
	185 W. St.	Thomas Needham House	1830
3/22/72	65 Derby St.	Joshiah Atchell House	1800
3/19/72	14 Beckford St.	Joseph Cook House	1733
6/23/72	21 William St.	Benjamin Stone (Mason)	1857
6/23/72	2 Hawthorn Bldg.	John Phupper House	1720
1/18/73	25 Lynde St.	James Barr House	1759
1/18/72	10 Monroe St.	Louisa House	
1873	284 Lafayette St.	"Coach House" (Embroider)	1879
	25 Williams St.	Buckley Ross House	1792
	40 Felt St.	James Burt & John Bell	1809
	1 Crown St.	Daniel Bray House	1766
	104 Federal St.	Ann Lamson House	1814
	3 Ringway St.	Caleb A. Smith House	1861
6/20/73	12 Bond St.	Jonathan Neal House	1767
6/20/73	109 North St.	William Batchelder House	1830
8/22/73	97 Derby St.	William Williams House	1772
8/1/73	21 Buffum St.	Edward Buffum House	1844
9/11/73	39 Essex St.	William Murray House	1688
9/11/73	6 Broad St.	Josiah Woodbury House	1774
9/11/73	54 Derby St.	Epes Corwell House	1802
9/25/73	78 Derby St.	Josee Kenney House	1804
9/25/73	401 Essex St.	Capt. Nathaniel Dagood House	1815
10/3/73	15 Beckford St.	Bartholomew Brown House	1795
0/3/73	10 Essex St.	David Murphy House	1798

10/25/73 #1 Cloutman Lane Marblehead
 7/25/73 31 Broad St. Salem Charles Richardson 1846
 11/29/73 8-10 Washington St. Jonathan Archer 1219
 6/29/73 69 Boston St. Samuel Pope before 1841

Box 2.

1/8/74 15 Deane St. Deane St. 1743
 2/12/74 19 Elm St. Marblehead - John Reynolds by 1811
 2/12/74 45 1/2 Lafayette St. Salem Royal Hathaway 1804
 3/5/74 30 Upham St. William Armstrong 1840
 3/19/74 20 Turner St. William Manning by 1739
 5/9/74 33 Washington St. Marblehead Peter ... 1757
 3/30/74 319 ~~Washington~~ St. "Old Salem Brotherhood" by July Dec 1813
 5/31/74 7 Ash St. Salem by Thomas Perkins 1811
 6/12/74 49 Washington by N. John C. Kimball 1839
 6/14/74 8 Carlton St. Philip Kimball 1811
 6/18/74 4 Woodbury Ct. Israel Woodbury 1830
 6/18/74 85 Derby St. Richard Palfrey 1789
 6/18/74 58 Derby St. Thomas Maxson (son) 1807
 6/18/74 82 Derby St. Nathan Blood 1808
 6/18/74 37 Turner St. Jesse Kenney 1793
 6/25/74 20 Oliver St. Edmund Needham 1819
 6/25/74 15 Turner St. Nathaniel Perry 1841
 8/15/74 146 North St. Edmund Johnson - Ephraim Woods 1801
 8/15/74 101 Derby St. William Young 1772
 8/15/74 105 Derby St. Joseph Beath (1835) David Pope - 1771
 8/15/74 109 Derby St. Capt John McMillan by 1803
 8/15/74 111 Derby St. David Rogers 1771
 9/6/74 8 High St. Marblehead Pitman [1822?]
 12/12/74 115 North St. Salem John Dunsbury c. 1800

see over

4/10/75 9 March St. Salem Joseph Gordon, Balz c. 1815
 4/10/75 107 Federal St. John Chandler 1809

2/6/75	18 Turner St.	Mario Woodhouse	1831
2/6/75	75 So. Main St.	<u>Middleton</u> River Park	1814
2/6/75	on Park & Elm Sts.	<u>Jenners</u> Andrew Patman, MD	1829
(see records for 4/10/75)			
4/23/75	42 Turner St.	<u>Kelton</u> George Bowditch	1814
5/6/75	121 North Main St.	Blair Joseph James	1811
6/6/75	29 North Main St.	Abner Woodhouse (Jr.)	1824
6/6/75	6 Anderson St.	Wm. Popes	1807
6/6/75	160 Lyman St.	<u>Jenners</u> Nathan Depley	1820
4/6/76	384 Essex St.	Capt. Jos. Dear	1806
"	11 Dearborn St.	Wm. M. Cunningham	1842
"	9 Lyman St.	Benj. Woodhouse	1752
"	49 Turner St.	Jonathan Whipple	1843
5/3/1976	11 Dearborn St.	Williams M. Cunningham	1842
10/19/76	2 Kimball St.	Jacob Crowninshield	1855 (Birthplace of M. Bowditch)
"	4 Blaney St.	Samuel Popes	1782
"	16 Turner St.	Moses Goodhue	1830
"	18 Orne St.	Noshua Upham	1835
"	16 Kosciusko St.	James Carraro	1861
June 17, 1976	41 Essex St.	George F. Berry	1855
"	19 Broad St.	William Broken	1847
Sept. 3, '76	121 Federal St.	Capt. Joseph Wain	1843
"	380 Essex St.	Joseph Sprague, Jr.	1867
"	26 Upham St.	John Woodbury	1787
Oct. 26, 1976	362 Essex St.	John Popes	1754
"	14 Pickman St.	Robert Cook	1808
"	15 Juniper Ave.	Geo. & Lucy Frost	1882
Nov. 23, 1976	14 Babad St.	William Stevens	1836
"	11 Ruci St.	Anna Kellan	1783
"	37 Walter St.	Mr. & Mrs. Alfred Brown	1870

(Feb. 9, 1977 brought in by R. Booth
6 South Pine St. Quaker House moved here by 1837
55-57 Federal St. Joshua Loring (coach-maker) 1836
123 Federal St. built by Jonathan S. Carlton (housewright)
for Robert S. Saunders
merchant 1843

Feb. 18, 1977 brought in by S. Dee
12 Lynn St. built by Joseph Ross (housewright) 1795
5 Carlton St. " " James Fairfield Jr. (housewright) 1857
Mar. 24, 1977 brought in by S. Dee
49 Buffum St. moved here for Thomas Spencer 1852 (Confession)
6 North Pine St. Higginson House moved here by 1847
15 Federal St. built for Asa Hayward, master mason
1842

335 Essex St. Col. John Page & wife Ruth Holman 1792
April 19, 1977 brought in by Sally Dee
6 Herbert St. built for James Salway, Teamster 1852

April 21, 1977 brought in by R. Booth
11 Andover St. Jacob Sanderson, cabinet maker, B. 1809
June 24, 1977 brought in by Sally Dee
Quaker Meeting House - Essex St. David Buffum,
carpenter 1847

July 25, 1977 brought in by Sally Dee
5 Columbus St. Richard Kerby, Sr. + Jonathan Innes 1758

August 8, 1977 brought in by Sally Dee
76-78 Essex St. Joseph Ranforth, housewright 1832
74 Essex Samuel Vary, 3rd, block maker 1810

August 16, 1977 Brought in by R. Booth
46 1/2 Essex St. Built for Christopher Babbidge,
cordwainer ca. 1715

also inventory compiled by R. Booth

Aug. 19, 1977 Brought in by Sally Dee
21 Daniels St. Capt. Nathan Silsbee, merchant 1788
12 Andover St. Michael McCarty, tanner 1874

Aug. 23, 1977 Brought in by S. Dee
180 Federal St. Ezekiel Wellman, tanner 1797

Oct. 11, 1977 Brought in by S. Dee
14 Hardy St. Joel Goldthwait, baker, 1807
7 Boardman St., Samuel S. Merrill, mason

Oct. 19, 1977 - S. Dee builder, 1878
40 Summer St. Capt. Thomas Eden, mariner 1762

Nov. 1, 1977 Susan Murray
113 Federal St. Joseph Kelly - 1795

Nov. 3, 1977 Joyce King
4 Hamilton St. Capt. Charles Hoffman 1808
as a gardener's cottage for ^{the garden} Hugh Wilson.

Nov. 3, 1977 Sally Dee
14 Chestnut John C. Lee, merchant 1834
8 Lynn St. William Boden, mariner, 1802

Dec. 7, 1977 Sally Dee
10 Carlton St. Joshua Oakes, ship-joiner 1804
28 Willian's St. Peter Woodberry, housewright, ca. 1810

Dec. 27, 1977 ^{S. Murray} 35 Daniels Street Mrs. Sarah Silsbee, widow 1807

Dec. 29, 1977 S. Dee 23 Warren St. Henry Janson Reed, housewright 1838

date? 24 Andover St. Cap. John Fairfield, merchant 1806

date? 8 Kosciusko St. Anna ~~Eden~~ laborer 1857

Sept. 12, 1978 J. King 18 Winter St. built for Mrs. James C. King, 1878

- Jan. 24, 1978 brought in by S. Dee
10 Pleasant St., John Rhodes, mariner 1809
- Jan. 26, 1978 brought in by S. Dee
4 Becket St., Benjamin Phippen, fisherman 1788
- Jan. 26, 1978 C. Tolles
24 Blaney St., John Nash, shoemaker 1816
- Feb. 14, 1978 C. Tolles
129 Essex St., Gideon Tucker, merchant 1808-9
- Feb. 15, 1978 S. Dee
21 Pickman St., Moses Marshall, housewight 1809
- 19 Union St., moved here for Alexander McCloy,
blacksmith, 1839 (built by 1750)
- Mar. 28, 1978 S. Dee
37 Chestnut St., Cap't. George Nichol, merchant ¹⁸¹⁶⁻¹⁷
- 13 Cambridge St., Pemberton Hale, housewight 1839
- Aug. 22, 1978 S. Dee
17 Beekford St., built for Abner Spalding, blacksmith ^{by 1830}
- 7 River St., "by John Chandler, housewight by 1780"
- 40 Howard St., built for John Bruce, master, mariner ^{in 1852}
- Oct. 2, 1978 S. Dee
31 Flint St., built by Jonathan Carlton, housewight ¹⁸⁴⁸
- Oct. 13, 1978 C. Tolles
23 Union St., built by Maurice Welch, twister ¹⁸⁶⁹
- Oct. 17, 1978 C. Tolles
24 Winter St., built for John Bertson, merchant ¹⁸⁴⁴

FORM B - BUILDING

MASSACHUSETTS HISTORICAL COMMISSION
Office of the Secretary, State House, Boston

In Area no.	Form no.
26	322

2. Photo (3x3" or 3x5")
Staple to left side of form
Photo number _____

4. Map. Draw sketch of building location
in relation to nearest cross streets and
other buildings. Indicate north.

Gambrel roof house
of a slightly mansard
appearance. Interior
woodwork of Greek
Revival design.

1. Town Salem
Address 17 Ballum
Name Lydia Towne House
Present use _____

- Present owner Tadeus S. Gavenda
Sept. 17, 1945 - BK. 3423 pg. 485
3. Description:

Date 1850

Source H.S.I. 1969-1970

Style _____

Architect _____

Exterior wall fabric _____

Outbuildings (describe) 1871 barn

Other features _____

Altered _____ Date _____

Moved _____ Date _____

5. Lot size: 7,102

One acre or less X Over one acre _____

Approximate frontage 53

Approximate distance of building from street

20 feet

6. Recorded by _____

Organization _____

Date _____

(over)

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no home shown standing

In Area no.	Form no.
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2. Photo (3x3" or 3x5")
Staple to left side of form
Photo number _____

1. Town _____

Address 47 Federal St

Name _____

Present use _____

Present owner _____

3. Description:

Date _____

Source _____

Style _____

Architect _____

Exterior wall fabric _____

Outbuildings (describe) _____

Other features _____

Altered _____ Date _____

Moved _____ Date _____

5. Lot size:

One acre or less _____ Over one acre _____

Approximate frontage _____

Approximate distance of building from street _____

6. Recorded by _____

Organization _____

Date _____

(over)

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In Area no.	Form no.
25	274

2. Photo (3x3" or 3x5")
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Photo number _____

4. Map. Draw sketch of building location
in relation to nearest cross streets and
other buildings. Indicate north.

1. Town _____

Address 3 Ridgeway St.

Name Caleb Smith Hse

Present use _____

Present owner _____

3. Description:

Date 1861

Source H.S.I. 1969-1970

Style _____

Architect _____

Exterior wall fabric _____

Outbuildings (describe) _____

Other features _____

Altered _____ Date _____

Moved _____ Date _____

5. Lot size: 12,193

One acre or less Over one acre _____

Approximate frontage 90

Approximate distance of building from street

10 feet

6. Recorded by _____

Organization _____

Date _____

(over)

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In Area no.	Form no.
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2. Photo (3x3" or 3x5")
Staple to left side of form
Photo number _____

4. Map. Draw sketch of building location
in relation to nearest cross streets and
other buildings. Indicate north.

1. Town _____
Address 22 Kimball Ct. off Brown
Name _____
Present use _____

Present owner _____
3. Description:
Date _____
Source _____
Style _____
Architect _____
Exterior wall fabric _____
Outbuildings (describe) _____
Other features _____

Altered _____ Date _____
Moved _____ Date _____
5. Lot size:
One acre or less _____ Over one acre _____
Approximate frontage _____
Approximate distance of building from street _____
6. Recorded by _____
Organization _____
Date _____

(over)

FORM B - BUILDING

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33	318

MASSACHUSETTS HISTORICAL COMMISSION
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2. Photo (3x3" or 3x5")
Staple to left side of form
Photo number _____

4. Map. Draw sketch of building location
in relation to nearest cross streets and
other buildings. Indicate north.

1. Town _____

Address 284 Lafayette

Name Ephraim Emerton House

Present use _____

Present owner 5/14/1964 Lawrence
Berishad Bk. 5170 page. 300

3. Description:

Date 1879

Source H.S.L. 1969-70

Style _____

Architect _____

Exterior wall fabric _____

Outbuildings (describe) 1879 Carriage
Hse.

Other features _____

Altered _____ Date _____

Moved _____ Date _____

5. Lot size: 9,000

One acre or less X Over one acre _____

Approximate frontage 60

Approximate distance of building from street

40 feet

6. Recorded by _____

Organization _____

Date _____

(over)

FORM B - BUILDING

MASSACHUSETTS HISTORICAL COMMISSION
Office of the Secretary, State House, Boston

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In Area no. 36	Form no.
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2. Photo (3x3" or 3x5")
Staple to left side of form
Photo number _____

4. Map. Draw sketch of building location
in relation to nearest cross streets and
other buildings. Indicate north.

1. Town _____

Address 47 Osgood St.

Name Royal Shorter Hse.

Present use _____

Present owner _____

3. Description:

Date 1836

Source H.S.I. 1969-70

Style _____

Architect _____

Exterior wall fabric _____

Outbuildings (describe) _____

Other features Central chimney
3 bay house.

Altered _____ Date _____

Moved _____ Date _____

5. Lot size: 6888
One acre or less Over one acre _____

Approximate frontage 60

Approximate distance of building from street
15 feet

6. Recorded by _____

Organization _____

Date _____

(over)