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74 WASHINGTON SQUARE EAST

Built for  
CLIFFORD CROWNINSHIELD, merchant  
1804-1806  
Samuel McIntire, Architect

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CLIFFORD CROWNINSHIELD HOUSE  
74 Washington Square East

The Clifford Crowninshield House, located at the southeast corner of Salem Common, was built between the years 1804-1806. According to historian Fiske Kimball, the house was built by the famous Salem architect Samuel McIntire for Clifford Crowninshield, a merchant and member of one of the city's most respected families. McIntire was responsible for designing such impressive buildings as Hamilton Hall on Chestnut Street and the Elias Hasket Derby House on Derby Street, as well as a plethora of other structures that still stand in the city.

McIntire was baptized in January 1757 and learned the building trade from his father, who was an established Salem housewright. From the 1780's until his death in 1811, McIntire left a mark on Salem's architecture that has yet to be surpassed [Fiske Kimball, Mr. Samuel McIntire, Carver: The Architect of Salem. The talented McIntire also composed musical pieces and dabbled in sculpture. His death was viewed as a great loss to the city's residents, especially the diarist Reverend William Bentley, who wrote about the loss of such an asset to the physical life of Salem [Reverend William Bentley Diary, vols. I-IV].

Bentley also mentioned the Crowninshield house in his diary. Bentley described the house as "elegant", his testament to Clifford, who died an untimely death in 1809, a mere four years after his marriage. The Peabody-Essex Museum holds in its collection a family account book that lists the dates of construction of the building as well as the cost of materials used in the building process [see attached sheet]. As the Map of 1874 shows, the

house stood on Pleasant Street, which was renamed Washington Square.

Besides Kimball, Bryant Tolles has done research on the house. He also credits McIntire with designing the house. According to Tolles, "in plan, proportions, and details, the house is typical of McIntire's mid-career work, particularly its roof balustrade and semicircular and balustraded front porch, which resemble those of his Gardner-Pingree house at 128 Essex Street" [Bryant Tolles, Architecture in Salem: An Illustrated Guide, p. 38-39]. Tolles notes the spiral staircase and exquisite mantel carving as worthy of praise [see attached sheet]. Also located on the property at the rear of the house is the original stable, which is attached to a shed which was once used as an office and shop. The shop probably faced Essex Street [see attached 1874 Map of Salem]

After Clifford's death, the house passed into the hands of his sister, Sarah, and her husband James Devereux, a captain who commandeered the *Franklin*, one of the first American ships to trade with Japan. The house then passed into the hands of the Waters and Goodell families. William C. Waters is listed in the Salem Directories as living in the house in the 1880's. In 1892 the house was remodeled by Zina Goodell, who moved what was then the north wing to the rear, which increased the depth of the house. In what must have been an involved project, the entire house was moved closer to the corner of Forrester Street [Tolles, p. 38]. Zina was self-employed as a machinist and blacksmith on Lafayette Street. He died in 1920, leaving #74 Washington Square to his daughter Mary and her husband, George E. Patterson, who worked as an insurance salesman. The Pattersons lived in the house from the 1920's through the 1940's [Salem Directories, 1930,

1940]. After George's death, Mary continued to live at #74 until her death in 1954. Mary's daughters, Mary P. Upton and Eleanor P. Hopkins inherited the property. In 1966, upon the death of Mary P. Upton, Marjorie Upton Copeland took control of the property, whereby in 1981 the property was granted to Mary Elizabeth Russell and Peter S. Russell, III.

In 1984, Robert C. Bramble and Joyce C. Cook converted the house into condominiums.

## DOCUMENTATION

\*\*\*Essex County Registry of Deeds, Book 159, Leaf 123

Grantor: Samuel Very of Salem, Cordwainer (shoemaker)

Grantee: Clifford Crowninshield of Salem, Merchant

Consideration: £50

Conveyance of: SEE ATTACHED DEED

Date Recorded: July 7, 1795

\*\*\*Essex County Registry of Deeds Book 189, Leaf 139

Grantor: Moses Townsend of Salem, Merchant

Grantee: James Devereux of Salem

Consideration: \$11,850.00

Conveyance of: "...a certain lot of land in said Salem containing in the whole about sixty eight poles and bounded as follows viz beginning at the Southwesterly corner thereof on Essex Street and Pleasant Street and thence running northerly bounding westerly on said Street one hundred and seven feet and five inches, thence running westerly bounding Southerly on that street six feet and eight inches as the front yard fence now stands sixty three feet four inches, thence running northerly and easterly on a circular line as the fence now stands and bounding westerly and northerly on the same street fifteen feet ten inches, thence running Easterly bounding Northerly on East street seventy two feet, thence running southerly bounding easterly on land of Captain Benjamin Ward one hundred and ninety four feet ten inches to Essex Street aforesaid, thence running westerly bounding southerly on said Essex Street one hundred and twenty three feet two inches to Pleasant Street aforesaid, the bound first mentioned with the mansion house and small dwelling house and other buildings on the premises... The premises being the same which were lately of Clifford Crowninshield of said Salem, merchant, deed and which were conveyed to me by Mary Molloy and others heirs at law of said Clifford Crowninshield and by Samuel Very Jr., guardian of Jonathan Very, a minor and an heir at law of said Crowninshield..."

Date Recorded: February 10, 1810

\*\*\*Essex County Registry of Deeds Book 1344, Page 199

Grantor: Elizabeth Devereux, William Waters, James Waters, Clifford Waters  
Edward Waters, and Shephard Gilbert convey to Salem Savings Bank

Grantee: Zina Goodell

Consideration: \$11,350.00

Conveyance of "...a certain parcel of land with the buildings thereon situated on the corner of Essex and Pleasant Streets in said Salem (said Pleasant Street being now called Washington Square) bounded, beginning at the southwesterly corner of the premises on Essex Street and Pleasant Street (now called Washington Square) and running northerly one hundred seven feet and five inches, thence running westerly six feet eight inches as the front yard fence now stands, thence running northerly as the front yard fence now stands sixty three feet four inches, all by Pleasant Street, (now called Washington Square) thence running northerly and easterly on a circular line as the fence now stands fifteen feet ten inches, thence running easterly by Forrester Street seventy two feet, thence running Southerly by land now or formerly of Benjamin Ward one hundred and ninety four feet and ten inches to said Essex Street, thence running westerly by said Essex Street one hundred twenty three feet two inches to Pleasant Street (now called Washington Square) and the point begun at..."

Date Recorded: June 2, 1892

\*\*\*E.C.R.D. Book 189, Leaf 139

Grantor: Marjorie U. Copeland

Grantee: Mary Elizabeth Russell and Peter S. Russell, III

Consideration: love and affection

Conveyance of:

Parcel A: The land together with the buildings thereon in Salem located on Washington Square East at Forrester Street at the Southeast intersection of Wahington Square East and Forrester Street and identified as Parcel A on above described plan, as follows:

Beginning at the Northeasterly corner thereof at a point on Forrester Street, thence running  
SOUTHERLY      S 24° 58'13"E, 129.71 feet to a stake, thence turning and  
                        running  
SOUTHERLY      S 62° 12'46"W, 20.42 feet, thence running

SOUTHERLY S  $72^{\circ} 31'42''$ W, 26.04 feet, thence turning and running  
NORTHERLY S  $10^{\circ} 41'29''$ E, 46.59 feet, thence turning and running  
WESTERLY N  $79^{\circ} 30'25''$ E, 57.96 feet, thence turning and running  
NORTHERLY N  $10^{\circ} 00'00''$ W, 51.59 feet, thence turning and running  
NORTHEASTERLY on a curved line, the radius of which is 15.17 feet for  
a distance of 18.30 feet, thence turning and running  
EASTERLY N  $59^{\circ} 07'12''$ E, 64.77, to the point of beginning.

Parcel B: The land together with the buildings thereon in Salem located on Washington Square East and identified as Parcel B on "Plan of land in Salem, Mass. Property of Marjorie U. Copeland ... Essex Survey Service, Inc., 47 Federal Street, Salem, MA ... bounded and described as follows:

Beginning at the Southwesterly corner thereof at a point on Washington Square East, thence running  
NORTHERLY N  $10^{\circ} 00'00''$ W, 53.76 feet, thence turning and running  
EASTERLY N  $79^{\circ} 30'25''$ E, 57.96 feet, thence turning and running  
SOUTHERLY S  $10^{\circ} 41'29''$ E, 46.59 feet, thence turning and running  
SOUTHWESTERLY S  $72^{\circ} 31'42''$ W, 59.02 feet, to the point of beginnng

Date Recorded: March 31, 1981

From Fiske Kimball, Mr. Samuel McIntire, Carver: The Architect of Salem. Salem: The Essex Institute, 1940. Reprinted 1966.

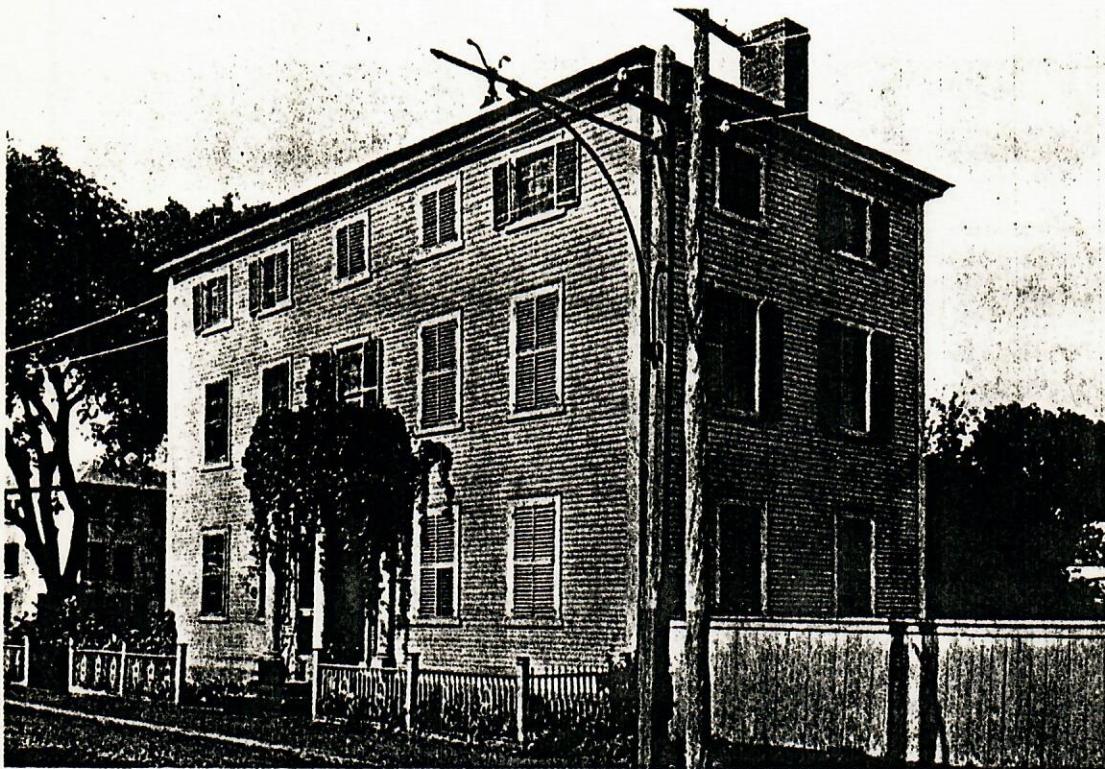


Figure 256. Clifford Crowninshield House, 74 Washington Square, 1804-1806.

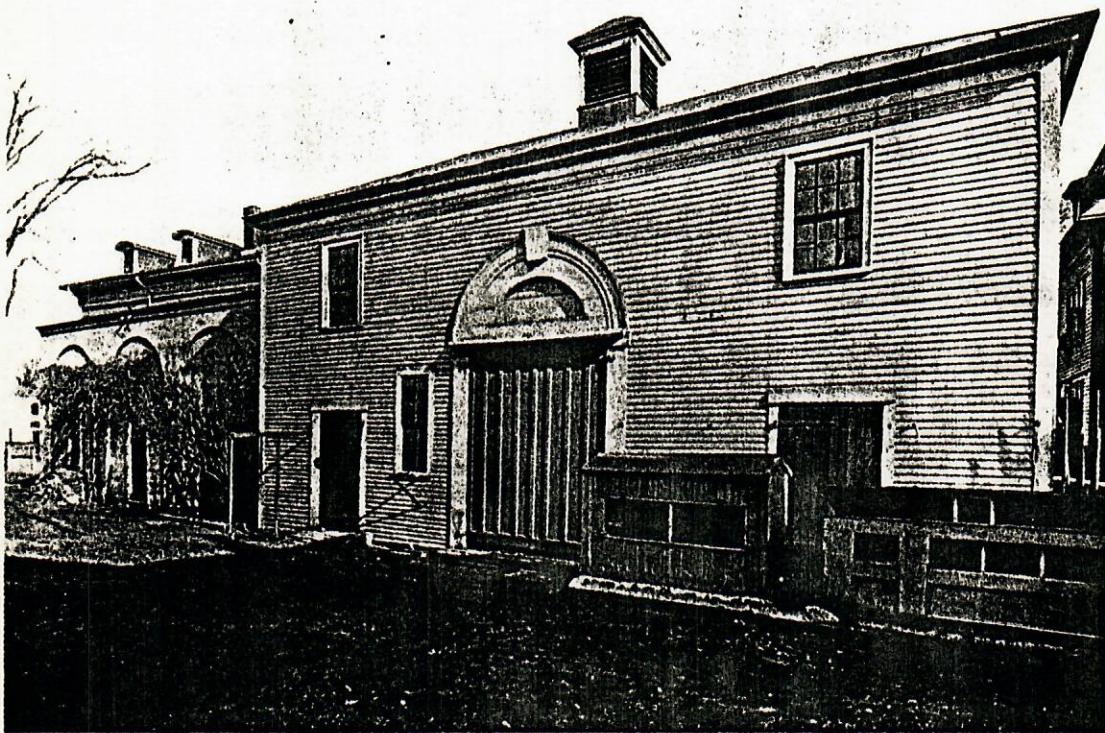


Figure 257. Clifford Crowninshield House. Stable.



Samuel McIntire. Pastel attributed to Benjamin Blyth.

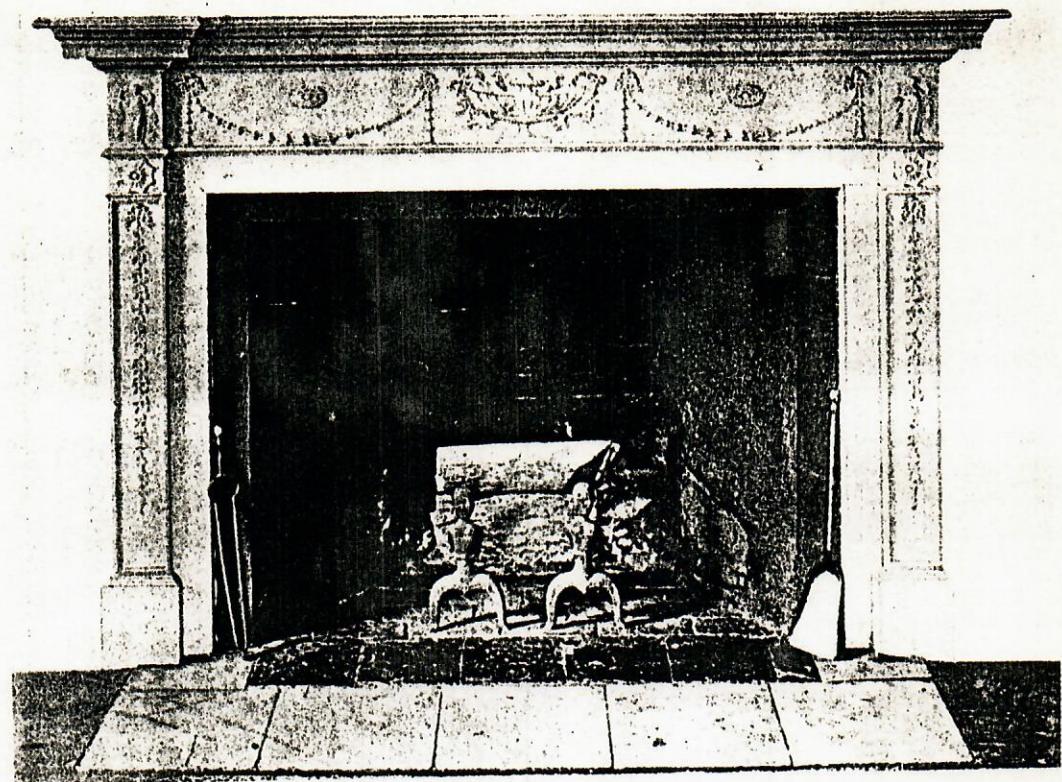


Figure 258. Clifford Crowninshield House. Mantel on second floor.

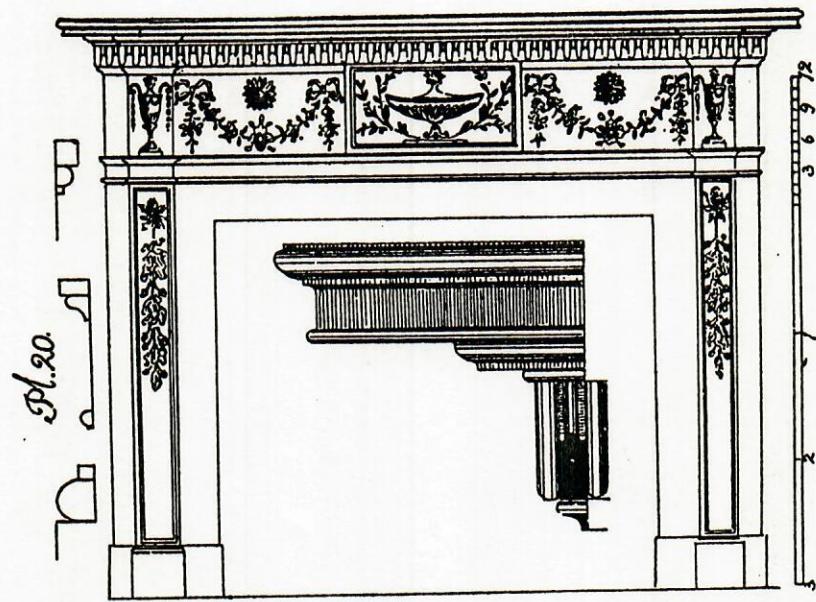


Figure 259. Prototype of the Clifford Crowninshield mantel.  
From Benjamin's *Country Builder's Assistant*, 1796.

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signs for a church tower as that for the one remaining church which he is authentically known to have designed, and with it we may rest assured that the signed drawings herewith reproduced are to be identified as those of this building. The other drawing of the group, "No. 1," showing the same diameter for the tower, is apparently an earlier study.

Bentley chronicles the progress of the work in detail, from the building of the first temporary house of worship and the opening of a subscription for a larger meeting-house (February 12, 1804, III, 73). On August 22, 1804 he notes the proposed dimensions, 62 by 74, and on the twenty-fifth writes, "The Floor of the Branch Meeting House, Browne street laid" (III, 105). Further entries are: September 2, 1804, "This day Mr. Spaulding preached upon the frame of the new Meeting House called the Branch" (III, 108); February 6, 1805, "this day the new Meeting House called the Branch was dedicated" (III, 140). The paper on which the drawings of the tower are made, identical with that used for the final plans and some of the details of the Derby mansion, accords sufficiently well with these dates; and the technique of rendering, so similar to that in the Tabernacle church drawing, confirms the assignment to this time and the Howard Street building. February 10, 1805: "... The expence of erecting this House is given at a sum short of 10,000 D. but of the South Meeting House above 25,000 D. The roof of the Branch is supported within & the middle of the house is arched" (III, 140).

This church building was removed to Beverly in 1867 and rebuilt.

## Clifford Crowninshield House

74 Washington Square

Built 1804-1806

(Figures 14, 15, 254-259)

Principal owners: Crowninshield, Devereux, Waters, Goodell

The house, on the Pleasant Street side of the Square, Clifford Crowninshield appears to have begun on the eve of his marriage, which took place in 1805. At his death on June 3, 1809, Bentley wrote (III, 437): "He retained the house of his G. Father Clifford in Essex Street . . . & afterwards built an elegant house facing the Common . . ."

The Peabody Museum of Salem preserves the following account-book of Clifford Crowninshield headed "House in Pleasant Street."

1804			
Nov. 26	To Cash paid Nathan Pieces [? Pierce] bill		2.43
	paid Daniel Farrington & Co.		500.
	paid S. McIntires bill		5.
	paid D. Farrington & Co.		300.
	" Daniel Kinney mov'g store		50.
	paid Asa Flanders p re't		100.
	To Cash paid Glould & Glover for lumber		115.50
	" Gould & Glover dig'g well		46.50
	" K. T. Williams		120.
	" Gould & Glover dig'g cellar &c		27.25

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	" Cash paid Asa Flanders & Co.	239.41	
	paid Jona Brown for rocks	6.	
	" Daniel Kinney & Co.	79.58	
	paid Asa Flanders & Co.	110.	1701.67
<i>Dec.</i> 15	To Cash paid Daniel Galencia in full for building Cellar under the Kitchen p rec't	213.	
	paid at Beverly for 1 cask Lime	2.50	215.50
18	To cash paid Thos. Kennedy for sashes	31.	31.
21	To Cash paid James Nichols his bill build'g Chimney &c.	195.	
28	To Cash paid Jed. Upton for 2 casks Lime	4.50	
	To Cash paid Levi Webster carting Rocks	38.	
29	To Cash paid Josu. Ward's bill Lumber	267.94	
	" Joseph C. Ward's bill do	64.77	332.71
	To Cash paid Sam'l Silsbee carting sand	5.33	
	" Asa Flanders & Co. p re't	50.	55.33
<i>1805</i>			
<i>Jany.</i> 1	To Cash paid Jos. Fenno & Co. for clear boards &c	210.92	
16	To Cash paid Asa Flanders & Co. p rec't	150.	
22	To Cash paid Phippin & Very for pump	31.73	
	" Patten & Co. their bill	17.76	49.49
25	To Cash paid Kinney Getchel & Merrill in full for finishing the Kitchen &c.	134.	
	To Cash paid Daniel Kinney's bill	57.75	
	" Josiah Getchel Do.	39.41	
	" Amasa Merrill Do.	38.61	269.77
<i>Feby</i> 2	To Cash paid Jere. Emmerton his bill	4.88	
	" Levi Maycumber Do.	7.	11.88
8	To Cash paid James Nichols his bill	10.33	
20	To Cash paid Joseph Fogg his bill	52.13	
<i>March</i> 6	To Cash paid Eben'r Popes bill	2.	
26	To Cash paid Jacob Mushall for post	25.83	
<i>April</i> 5	To Cash paid Labour	2.70	
	To Cash paid Labour at sundry times	25.11	
	To Cash paid Isaac Haggetts bill	40.65	
	paid Labour	5.	45.65
20	To Cash paid Robert Perkins his bill		
	To Cash paid Danl. Fry his bill	10.	
	To Cash paid Eleazar Popes Do.	45.50	
	" John Collins Do.	65.	
	" Danl Fry Do.	71.75	
	" Danl Galeacias Do.	262.43	
	" Wm. Price	32.40	487.22
<i>May</i> 3	To Cash paid Wm. Luscomb's bill	124.56	124.56
11	To Cash paid Richard Adams his bill steps &c		97.13
15	To Cash paid Wiggins & Uptons bill	15.42	
	" Peters & Ponds bill	81.94	97.36
	To Cash paid Jed Uptons bill	7.	
16	To Cash paid Sundry Labourers	44.50	52.

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<i>June</i>	<i>3</i>	To Cash paid Isaac Haggets bill	.75
		" Sundry Labourers	151.29
<i>June</i>	<i>20</i>	" Jona. Browns bill	<u>25.31</u> 177.35
	<i>28</i>	To Cash paid Asa Flanders & Daniel Farrington their bill                         68.46	
		off <u>12.92</u>	55.52
		To Cash paid John Ives Do.	<u>284.92</u> 340.44
		To Cash paid Joseph Newhall his bill	20.
		" John Emmerson Do.	<u>3.50</u> 23.50
<i>July</i>	<i>16</i>	To Cash paid Isaac Haggets bill	2.08
	<i>25</i>	To Cash paid Joseph Fogg his bill	196.81
		To Cash paid William Treadwell his bill	210.
		" Benjamin Smith Do.	<u>37.49</u> 247.49
		To Cash paid Richard Adams bill	97.22
		Cash paid Benj'm Silver Do.	6.
		Cash paid Peters & Pond Do.	<u>56.76</u> 159.98
		To Cash paid Thadeus Stimpsons bill	29.50
<i>Augt.</i>	<i>2</i>	To Cash paid Daniel Frye his bill	53.50
		paid John Melvill Do.	3.75
		paid Thomas Cushing Do.	23.25
		paid Joseph Newhall Do.	<u>16.</u> 96.50
		To Cash paid Elijah Fuller his bill	11.10
	<i>27</i>	To Cash paid Samuel McIntire his bill	22.31
		To Cash paid Phineas Wentworths bill	21.50
<i>Septem</i>	<i>9</i>	To Cash paid James Nichols his bill	260.
		George Deane Do.	<u>12.25</u> 272.25
<i>Octo'r</i>	<i>1</i>	To Cash paid John Collins his bill	62.25
		Joshua French	<u>12.16</u> 77.41
		To Cash paid Amos Lefavour his bill	.37 $\frac{1}{2}$
		To Cash paid D. labour	1.00
	<i>14</i>	To Cash paid Joseph Newhalls bill	51.18
	<i>19</i>	To Cash paid Jed'n Upton his bill	14.50
		To Cash paid Lamson & Goodhue	19.96
		To Cash paid Benj'm Smith his bill	66.03
		To Cash paid Samuel McIntires bill	6.59
		To Cash paid N. Knight his bill	21.80
<i>Novem'r</i>		To Cash paid Wm. Gavit his bill	3.53
		paid Thomas Francis Do.	3.25
		paid John Dodge Do.	<u>31.18</u>
		paid George Dean Do.	5.19
		Joseph Newhalls Do.	22.65
		Dix & Treadwell Do.	5.20
		Samuel Skerry Do.	<u>3.50</u> 74.66
<i>Dec'r</i>	<i>2</i>	To Cash paid J. Bannado for Glass	24.
	<i>17</i>	To Cash paid B. Cheever his bill	4.73
		To Cash paid Wm. Deans bill	18.65
	<i>26</i>	To Cash paid Henry Prince for marble slab	18.
		To Cash paid Thomas Brooks his bill	112.26

## Works in Architecture

1806				
Feb.	To Cash paid	Page & Ropes date 7 inst. P. & A. Chase his bill Johnson & Phelps Do. John Waters Do. Ephm Emmerson Do. Isaac N. Ireland Do.	129.18 6. 3.29 2.50 12.11 23.75	
				176.83
8	To Cash paid	Daniel Frye his bill Deduct for Brig Sallys Bill	56.16 4.66	
				41.50
		Jas. Pope Bill	30.38	71.88
1806				
May 16	To Cash paid	Seth Brooks bill Joseph Fogg his bill William Price Thomas Francis J. Perry	2.93 22.50 2.50 4.61	
				32.54
July 21	To Cash paid	A. Fuller his bill &c. J. Newhalls bill	21.33 106.42	
				127.75
				6912.59

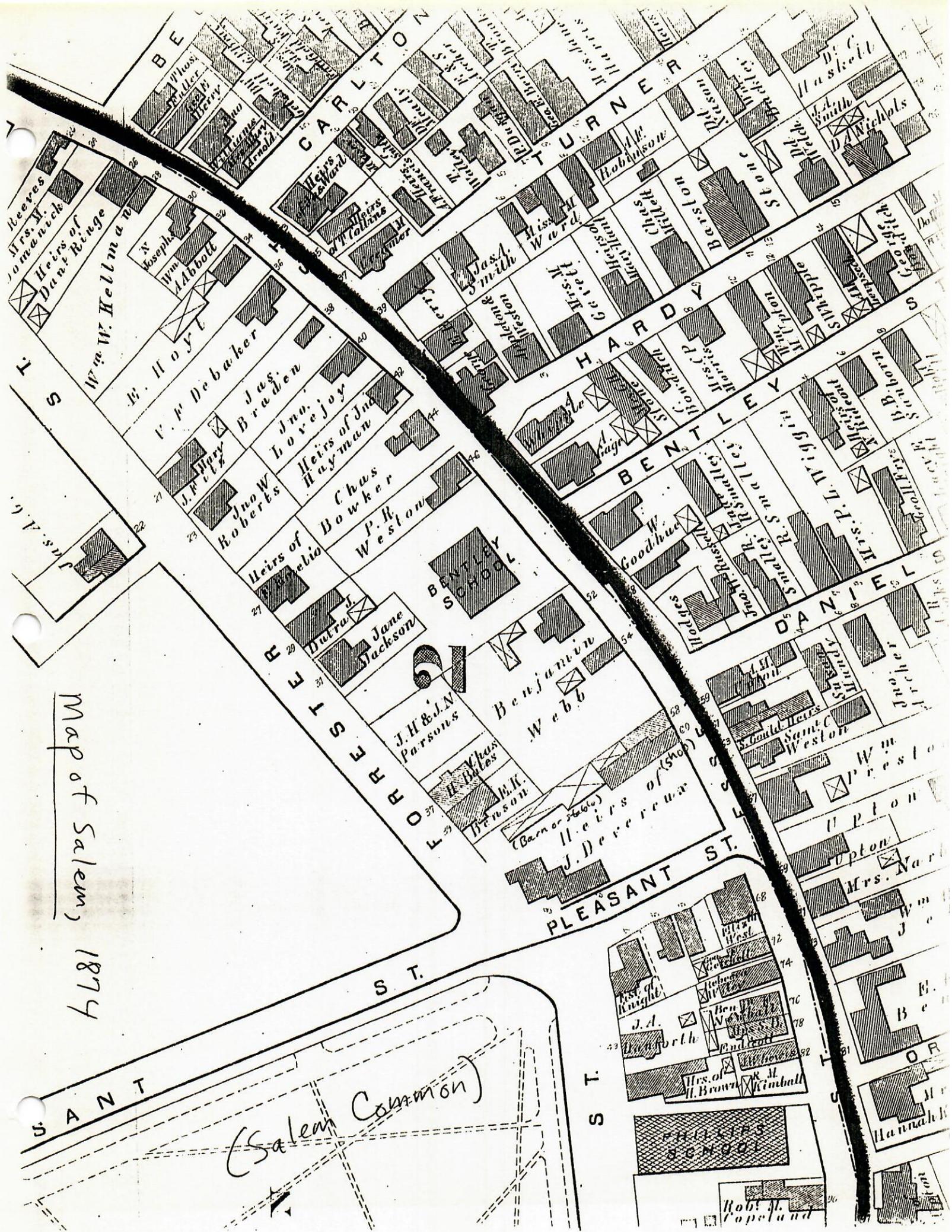
We observe that McIntire's bills formed but a small part of the total cost and may perhaps assume that the early entry of \$5 was for a plan and the subsequent ones were for carving and composition work. The design and aspect of the house are typical of his style, as are the details.

The composition of one mantel on the second floor is identical with that of one in Asher Benjamin's *Country Builder's Assistant*, of which the first edition appeared in 1796. It is the first example of extensive borrowing from Benjamin on the part of McIntire.

As it stood to the age of photography the house had a fine stable with arcaded sheds adjoining, one of them leading to a little shop. There was also an admirable fence, with pierced motives at intervals between the square spindles.

Later owners included James Devereux, William D. Waters and Zina Goodell. The house has been extensively remodelled, but without injury to McIntire's fine detail.

Map of Salem, 1874



Salem Directory, 1895-1896

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Mary Margaret Mansfield ..... seal  
Abigail Berry ..... seal

John Prince jun.	Murdoch Polkney	seal
John W. Ferne	Sarah Devine	seal
Inex 2 October 21. 1809 personally appeared Margaret Annupta Whiting alias Martha Polkney Sarah Devine John C. Terry, Anna Toot, James Devine and Mary Molloy above named and severally acknowledged the aforesaid instrument by them subscribed to be their act and deed. Supreme John Prince & Just Davis	John C. Terry	seal
	Jane Toot	seal
	James Devine	seal
	Mary Molloy	seal
	Elizabeth Weston	seal
	Samuel Terry	seal
	Alice Terry	seal

Lincoln October 23, 1809, personally appeared Hubbard Morely Junr. and Very Alice Very & William Mumford above named and severally acknowledge the aforementioned instrument by them subscribed to be their free act and deed, before me John Crum Jr. his facs.  
Lincoln Oct. 23<sup>r</sup> 1810, recorded and examined by Amos Chauncy Reg'r

Know all men by these presents That I Moses Townsend of Salem in the County of Essex  
James Devons Merchant in consideration of the sum of eleven thousand eight hundred and fifty dollars  
paid me by James Gorreux of Salem aforesaid merchant, the receipt whereof thereby ac-  
knowledges know giving renouncing released and forever discharged, and by these presents  
do grant renounce release and forever discharge unto the said James Gorreux, and his  
heirs and assigns, a certain lot of land upon Salem containing in the whole about six  
ty eight poles and bounded as follows viz beginning at the Southwesterly corner thereof  
on Exce Street and pleasant Street, a distance running Northward bounding Westerly on  
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bounding Southerly on that Street six feet and eight inches at the front yard fence  
now standing thence running Northward bounding Westerly on the same Street as the  
front yard fence now stands neighbors lot four inches, thence running Northward  
and Eastward on a circular line as the fence now stands and bounding Southerly and  
Northward on East Street sixteen feet ten inches thence running Eastward bounding  
Northward on East Street twenty two feet thence running Southerly bounding Eastward on  
land of Capt. Fingerman Ward one hundred and ninety four plus less inches to Exce Street  
aforesaid thence running Westward bounding Southerly on said Exce Street one hundred  
and twenty three feet two inches to Pleasant Street aforesaid, the bound first mentioned  
with the number house small dwelling house and other buildings on the premises  
together with the privilege and appurtenances to the premises belonging. The premises  
being the same which were held by Clifford Crowninshield of said Salem Merchant  
dec'd and which were conveyed to me by Mary Walling and others heirs at law of said  
Clifford Crowninshield and by Edmund Avery Jr. Guardian of Jonathan Avery a minor &  
on his or her at law of said Crowninshield by his several deeds bearing date the day of the  
date of these Presents. Together with all the Estate, right, title, interest we property claim  
and demand which ever of ours the said Moses Townsend which I now have or at any

very poor terms, to which at very little notice, has been added great trouble or expense  
as part or parcel of the same. To have and to hold all the said granted and released premises with the appurtenances to the said James Devereux and his heirs and assigns  
forever. And I the said Moses Townsend do hereby for myself my heirs executors and ad-  
ministrators covenant and agree to and with the said James Devereux and his heirs ex-  
ecutors administrators and assigns in manner following that is to say that the premises  
are free from all manner of burden done or suffered by me, and that the said James Devereux  
and his heirs and assigns shall from henceforth forever, quietly and peaceably have &  
enjoy the released premises with the appurtenances without any lawful claim or侵  
-inrance of me the said Moses Townsend or of any person or persons claiming either  
way by any or means during the same, or any part thereof by from or under  
me or my heirs, and Lydia Townsend wife of the said Moses Townsend in consideration of  
ten cents paid her by said James Devereux, the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged  
duly and fully remise release and relinquish to him and his heirs and assigns all her  
right & power in the above granted and released premises. At Testimony whereof we  
the said Moses Townsend and Lydia Townsend have signed set our hands and seals this  
thirtieth day of October in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and nine.  
The words "Moses Townsend being first erased" - M. Townsend - seal  
and James Devereux initialed Lydia Townsend - seal  
Signed sealed and delivered in presence of Enos n Salem December 20, 1809. Personally appeared  
Harriet Newell William Rice } Moses Townsend and acknowledged the above in-  
-strument to be his act and deed before me John Langdon Notl. Dugay  
Exect. Dec 2 February 16, 1810, recorded and examined by Amos Choate Reg'r

David Putnam

Know all men by these Presents That David Putnam of Salem in the County of Essex  
Commonwealth of Massachusetts esq<sup>r</sup> in consideration of the sum of one thousand dollars D<sup>r</sup> Crumbie  
paid me by Benjamin Crumbie of Salem aforesaid to me, the receipt whereof I do hereby  
acknowledgy do hereby give grant sell and convey unto the said Benjamin Crumbie  
and his heirs and assigns forever certain Brick Store and dwelling house with the land  
under and adjoining the same situate in said Salem and bounded as follows viz begin-  
ning at the Southwesterly corner of the premises on Essex Street, Salem running North-  
wardly and bounding westerly by the dividing line between the premises and land of the  
heirs of Johnnathus Peeler to lands of the heirs of Ezra Purvis which line is parallel  
with the underpinning on the western side of said store & house at two feet and six  
inches distant from the same, thence two feet and six inches in one half the width  
of passing way which is common for the use of said store & house, and dwelling of  
the late Johnnathus Peeler deceased as will appear by a record in the Rec-  
ord of deeds for said County Book 1st Aug 2d Year running Northerly twenty one  
feet and seven inches bounding Northerly on said Purvis heirs land Salem running  
southerly to Essex Street bounding southerly by land of said heirs Salem running Westerly  
by said street twenty one feet seven inches to the first mentioned corner, with all the  
privileges and appurtenances thereto belonging it being the same estate which was  
conveyed to me by the said Crumbie and which I have mortgaged to Joseph Sprague to  
secure the payment of one thousand dollars to have and to hold the granted per-

receipt whereof I do hereby acknowledge, do hereby give grant sell and convey unto the said Delucena L Bingham and his heirs and assigns all that Mesunge situate in Manchester in said County and consisting of a dwelling house with two land under y<sup>e</sup> same and the land adjoining thereto on the rear and on y<sup>e</sup> westerly side thereof bounded as follows, viz, fronting southeasterly on the highway, westerly on land of Deborah Lee and of the heirs of Capt Sam Lee and northwesterly upon a creek and southwesterly by a line which divides the premises from land which the P John Lee Esq lately held by his own purchase comprising all the land which the P John Lee held under his late father Sam<sup>c</sup> Lee Esq with all the privileges and appurtenances thereto belonging. Also the floor and land adjoining to the above described premises as bounded and specified in the deed given by Sam<sup>c</sup> Sewall Esq to the P David Pearce reference being had to P deed for boundary east quantity &c with all the privileges and appurtenances belonging thereto. To have and to hold the same to the said Delucena L Bingham and his heirs and assigns to his & their use and behoof forever. And I do covenant with the said Delucena L Bingham and his heirs and assigns that I am lawfully seized in fee of the premises that they are free of all incumbrances that I have good right to sell and convey the same to the said Delucena L Bingham and that I will warrant and defend the same to the said Delucena L Bingham and his heirs and assigns forever against the lawful claims and demands of any person --- In witness whereof I the said David Pearce together with my wife (confronting thereto) have set our hands & seals this third day of March in the year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred and ninety two -

David Pearce a seal  
Francis Proctor Jr Pearce --- Bethiah Pearce a seal  
Essex March 3<sup>rd</sup> 1792 Then the within named David Pearce & Bethiah Pearce personally appeared and acknowledged the within instrument by them subscribed to be their free act and deed. Before me Peter Coffin Justice Peace  
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Sayor to say  
Pool  
Shows all men by these presents that I Edmund Sawyer of Newbury in the County of Essex and Commonwealth of Massachusetts in consideration of the sum of eight hundred dollars to me in hand paid before the delivery hereof by Ward Pool of Newbury in the County aforesaid gentleman on the receipt whereof I do hereby acknowledge have given granted bargained and sold and do by these presents give grant bargain sell alien and fully and absolutely convey and confirm unto him the said Ward Pool his heirs and assigns forever a certain Mesunge situate partly in Salem and partly in Danvers which from Piroport late of Danvers died seized and proposed of it being at the homestead the dwelling house other buildings thereon containing two acres and eight poles bounded as follows beginning at the great court road at a stake hence running by said road north fifty six degrees thirty minutes west four poles, by said road north sixty degrees twenty minutes west nine poles fifteen links to land of Henry Codd then by said Codd's land south thirty seven degrees forty minutes west twenty five poles to land of Daniel Southwick thence south eighty four degrees fifteen minutes east three poles & six links thence south eighty nine degrees forty minutes east five poles and six links thence north eighty one degrees thirty one minutes east ten poles and four links thence north fortysix degrees east four poles and nine links thence north seventy two degrees east five poles and seventeen links till it comes to the corner leased by the said Piroport the same thence north twenty degrees west two poles eleven links to State

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Note thence north twenty three degrees east six poles and eight links to the first mentioned bounds reserving however the improvement of a court yard to the garden which is leased to the said Sawyer aforesaid - To have and to hold the said granted and bargained premises together with their appurtenances free from all incumbrances whatsoever to him the said Ward Pool his heirs and assigns as an absolute estate of inheritance in fee simple forever and I the said Edmund Sawyer for myself my heirs executors and administrators do covenant and engage the above described premises to him the said Ward Pool his heirs and assigns against the lawful claims and demands of any person or persons whatsoever hereafter to warrant secure and defend by these presents. I witness whereof I the said Edmund Sawyer have hereunto set my hand and seal this third day of July anno Domini one thousand seven hundred and ninety five and in the nineteenth year of the Independence of the United States of America - Edmund Sawyer do seal signed sealed and delivered Essex July 3 1795 The aforesaid Edmund Sawyer in presence of --- personally appeared and owned this instrument to be Joseph Scoville --- his free act and deed --- before John Pickering Just Peace - Joseph Converse --- before John Pickering Just Peace -  
Essex Rec July 3 1795 of recorded & examined by John Pickering Reg

Know all men by these presents that I Samuel Very of Salem in the County of Essex cordwainer in consideration of fifty pounds lawful money paid by Clifford Crowningsfield of Salem in the County of Essex merchant, the receipt whereof I do hereby acknowledge do hereby give grant sell and convey unto the said Clifford Crowningsfield his heirs and assigns a piece of land in said Salem bounded southerly on Essex street there measuring thirty two feet easterly on land of Benjjamin Ward there measuring one hundred and thirty seven feet, northerly on the common or way by the common there measuring twenty nine feet and westerly on land of said Crowningsfield it being the same land which he sold me as by his deed to me will more fully appear, on record in the office Book 153 Leaf 105. Also one other piece of land which I bought of the inhabitants of the town of Salem bounded westerly on the common three poles and three links northerly on the street lately laid out one pole sixteen links and one quarter of a link easterly on land of Benj in Ward three poles eleven links and one half of a link southerly on the aforesmentioned land one pole eighteen links and three fourths of a link to the first bounds with all the buildings thereon. To have and to hold the aforescribed premises to the said Clifford Crowningsfield and to his heirs and assigns to his and their use and behoof forever. And I do covenant with the said Clifford Crowningsfield and with his heirs and assigns that I am lawfully seized in fee of the aforescribed premises, that they are free of all incumbrances that I have good right to sell and convey the same to the said Clifford Crowningsfield and that I will warrant and defend the same lawfully to the said Clifford Crowningsfield and that I will warrant and defend the same lawfully to the said Clifford Crowningsfield and to his heirs and assigns forever against the lawful claims and demands of all persons. Provided nevertheless that if the said Samuel Very or his heirs executors or administrators pay to the said Clifford Crowningsfield or his heirs executors or administrators or assign the sum of fifty pounds on or before the second day of July which will be in the year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred and ninety six then this deed as also a certain bond bearing even date with these presents given by the said Samuel Very to the said Clifford Crowningsfield conditioned to pay the same sum and interest at the time aforesaid shall be void otherwise shall remain in full force. In witness whereof I the said Samuel Very have hereunto set my hand and seal this second day of July in the year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred and ninety five. Samuel Very a seal  
Signed sealed and delivered in presence of us N B. the words (the buildings thereon)  
Richard Ward Richard Ward junr. - - - Interlined before concluding - - - Essex  
1st Recd Oct 11 1804 Clifford Crowningsfield the manys givn the instrument was received  
do hereby discharge the manys givn - - - Clifford Crowningsfield  
with John Pickering Regn

Coffin  
to  
Merrill

Essex July 2. 1795 Then the within named Samuel Very acknowledged the written instrument to be his freeded - Before Richard Ward Justice of the peace

Essex Recd July 7. 1795 & recorded & examined by John Pickering Reg'

Know all men by these presents that we Anna Coffin of Newbury in the County of Essex & Commonwealth of Massachusetts widow Anna Brewer Elizabeth Coffin and Sarah Coffin all of said Newbury single women in consideration of the sum of thirteen pounds ten shillings lawful money of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts already paid us by Jacob Merrill of the same Newbury yeoman the receipt whereof we do hereby acknowledge have given granted bargained and conveyed and confirm'd and by these presents do give grant bargain sell convey and confirm unto him the said Jacob and his heirs and assigns forever. A certain piece of land situate in Salisbury in said County lying on the easterly branch of Town Creek so called containing two acres & two rods and bounded as follows, viz, beginning at the northwesterly end of said lot at a ditch between said lot & marsh of said Merrill thence by said Merrill eighteen rods or half to another ditch, thence south twenty degrees east by said ditch between said Marsh & Marsh of Mr Stevens nineteen rods, to the Creek thence by said Creek to the bounds, first mentioned To have and to hold the above bargained premises with all their privileges and appurtenances to him the said Jacob and his heirs and assigns, to the sole use of him the said Jacob and his heirs and assigns forever. And we the said Anna Coffin Anna Brewer Elizabeth & Sarah Coffin do for ourselves our heirs executors and administrators covenant and engage to and with the said Jacob and his heirs executors administrators and assigns that at the time of the delivery hereof we are lawfully seized in fee simple of the above bargained premises that the same are free of all incumbrances that we have good right full power and lawful authority to grant bargain sell and convey the same to him the said Jacob and his heirs and assigns to have and to hold the same in manner and for the use aforesaid and that we and our heirs will warrant secure and defend the above bargained premises to him the said Jacob and his heirs and assigns forever against the lawful claims of all persons. In witness whereof we the said Anna Coffin Anna Brewer Elizabeth Coffin and Sarah Coffin have hereunto set our hands and seals the twenty third day of February in the year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred and ninety five

Anna Coffin & a seal

Anna Brewer & a seal

Elizabeth Coffin & a seal

Sarah Coffin & a seal

Essex June 14. 1794 The above named Anna Coffin, Sarah Coffin &c al so Anna Brewer Elizabeth & Sarah Coffin personally acknowledged the foregoing instrument by them signed to be their deed before Elihu Steele Justice of the Peace

Essex Recd July 7. 1795 & recorded & exam'd by John Pickering Reg'

Coffin  
to  
Whitmore

Know all men by these presents, that we Anna Coffin of Andover in the County of Essex & Commonwealth of Massachusetts widow Anna Brewer Elizabeth Coffin and Sarah Coffin all of said Andover single women in consideration of the sum of thirteen pounds lawful money of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts already paid us by Amos Whitmore of Newbury county of Essex and Commonwealth aforesaid, the receipt whereof we do hereby acknowledge have given granted bargained and conveyed and confirmed and by these presents do give grant bargain sell convey and confirm unto him the said Amos and his heirs and assigns forever. A certain lot of land lying in the aforesaid Newbury containing one acre and one hundred and eighteen rods, bounded as follows, viz, beginning on the east corner of land belonging to Nathan Somerby and running by the land west thirty six degrees south thirty rods & five links thence by land belonging to Del Marshall Sawyer south twenty nine degrees east nine rods and twenty links thence on land belonging to Nathaniel Carter Esq. running east thirty three degrees north seven rods and

fourteen links thence by land belonging to Moses Moody running north forty eight rods and two links, then by land of Moody's land running east thirty degrees north twenty four rods and ten links, to Merrimack street, thence by said street ten rods to the bounds first mentioned To have and to hold the above bargained premises with all their privileges and appurtenances to him the said Amos and his heirs and assigns to the sole use of him the said Amos and his heirs and assigns forever. And we the said Anna Coffin Anna Brewer Elizabeth & Sarah Coffin do for ourselves our heirs executors and administrators covenant and engage to and with the said Amos and his heirs executors administrators and assigns that at the time of the delivery hereof we are lawfully seized in fee simple of the above bargained premises that the same are free of all incumbrances, that we have good right full power and lawful authority to grant bargain sell and convey the same to him the said Amos and his heirs and assigns to have and to hold the same in manner and for the use aforesaid. And that we and our heirs will warrant secure and defend the above bargained premises to him the said Amos and his heirs and assigns forever against the lawful claims of all persons. In witness whereof we the said Anna Coffin Anna Brewer Elizabeth Coffin and Sarah Coffin have hereunto set our hands and seals the twenty third day of February in the year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred and ninety five

Anna Coffin & a seal  
Betsey Dennis Natta Loveloy ---

Anna Brewer & a seal

Elizabeth Coffin & a seal

Sarah Coffin & a seal

Essex Recd July 2. 3. 1795 Then the within named Anna Coffin Anna Brewer Elizabeth Coffin and Sarah Coffin within named appeared and acknowledged the within instrument by them sealed to be their free act & deed - Before me Natta Loveloy Justice Peace

Essex Recd July 7. 1795 & recorded & exam'd by John Pickering Reg'

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Power  
of  
Prizes

Essex - Commonwealth of Massachusetts - To the Sheriff of our County of Essex or his deputy greeting - Whereas Thomas Power of Marblehead in the County of Essex mariner by the consideration of our Justices of our Supreme Judicial Court helden at Salem within and for our County of Essex on the second Tuesday of November last recovered judgment against Anna Prince of said Marblehead widow for the sum of one hundred fourteen pounds eighteen shillings and three pence lawful money debt and three pounds five shillings & seven pence costs of suit as to appear of record whereof Execution remains to be done. We command you that for that of the goods chattels or lands of the said Anna within your precinct you cause to be paid and satisfied unto the said Thomas at the value thereof in money the aforesaid sum being one hundred & eighteen pounds four shillings and ten pence in the whole with one shilling & six pence more for this writ and thereof also to satisfy yourself for your own fees and for want of goods chattels or lands of the said Anna to be by her returned unto you or sent within your precinct to the acceptance of the said Thomas to satisfy the sum aforesaid we command you to take the body of the said Anna and her commit unto either of our gaols in Salem Ipswich or Newbury Port in our County of Essex aforesaid and detain in your custody within our said jail until she pay pay the sum aforesaid with your fees or that she be discharged by the said Thomas the creditor or otherwise by order of Law. Hereof fail not and make return of this writ with your doings therein into our Supreme Judicial Court to be helden at Ipswich within and for our County of Essex on the third Tuesday of June next. Witness Francis Dana Esq; at Boston the fourth day of December in the year of our Lord 1794 - - Clas' Cushing Cler' - -

MW Officer - Collect to the amount of fifty pounds and less and for the remainder the Execution may be renewed - Samuel Sewall, for Pitty - -

Essex June 15. 1795 Mrs Woodward Abraham East Jeremiah Proctor and Mrs. Assted Martin were this day present faithfully and impartially to approve and set off by metes and bounds such real estate of the within named Anna Prince which shall be shown to you to satisfy this Execution ad all fees and make return thereof according to their best skills and judgment - Before me Edward Bowes Justice of the Peace

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void otherwise it shall remain in full force and virtue. In witness whereof I the said Benjamin have hereunto set my hand and seal this first day of July in the year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred and ninety one.

Signed sealed and delivered Benjamin Brown Esq: in presence of John Clark this instrument to be his Dsd. before

John Pickering Justic:as  
John Pickering Esq: July 1. 1791 recorded & exam by John Pickering Reg'r

M. C. Crowninshield Know all men by these presents that I Mary Crowninshield of Salem in the County of Essex widow in consideration of one hundred & eighty pounds lawful money paid me by my son Clifford Crowninshield of Salem aforesaid mariner the receipt whereof I do hereby acknowledge do hereby give grant sell and convey unto the said Clifford his heirs and assigns a dwelling house in said Salem with the land under badgining the same said land bounding southerly on the main street there measuring one hundred & twenty eight feet easterly on a line there measuring one hundred & forty feet northerly on the common or way by the common there measuring one hundred & fourteon feet and easterly on land of Benjamin Ward there measuring one hundred & thirty seven feet together with all other buildings Reserving to myself the freeuse of said house & building with the waterly part of said land for & during the term of my natural life the land so reserved to measure on the main street ninety six feet and on the common or way by the common eighty five feet the eastern boundary to be a straight line to have and to hold the same to the said Clifford Crowninshield his heirs and assigns to his & their use and behooff forever and I do covenant with the said Clifford his heirs and assigns that I am lawfully seised in fee of the premises that they are free of all incumbrances that I have good right to sell and convey the same to the said Clifford subject to the reservation aforesaid and that I will warrant and defend the same to the said Clifford subject as aforesaid his heirs and assigns forever against the lawful claims and demands of any persons In witness whereof I do hereby set my hand & seal this twenty ninth day of June AD one thousand seven hundred & ninety one.

Signed sealed & delivered Mary C. Crowninshield Esq: in presence of John Clarke G. C. Crowninshield acknowledged this instrument John Pickering to be his Dsd. before John Pickering Justic:as  
John Pickering Esq: July 1. 1791 recorded & exam by John Pickering Reg'r

C. Crowninshield Know all men by these presents that I Clifford Crowninshield of Salem in the County of Essex mariner in consideration of fifty pounds lawful money paid me by Samuel Very of Salem aforesaid cordwainer the receipt whereof I do hereby acknowledge do hereby give grant sell and convey unto the said Samuel his heirs and assigns a piece of land in said Salem bounding southerly on the main street there measuring

thirty two feet easterly on land of Benjamin Ward there measuring one hundred & thirty seven feet northerly on the common or way by the common there measuring twenty nine feet and waterly on land there measuring about 137 feet inches it being the easterly part of the land sold me by my mother this day to have and to hold the same to the said Samuel Very his heirs and assigns to his & their use and behooff forever and I do covenant with the said Samuel his heirs and assigns that I am lawfully seised in fee of the premises that they are free of all incumbrances that I have good right to sell and convey the same to the said Samuel to have as aforesaid and that I will warrant and defend the same to the said Samuel his heirs and assigns forever against the lawful claim and demands of any persons In witness whereof I do hereby set my hand & seal this twenty ninth day of June one thousand seven hundred & ninety one.

Signed sealed & delivered Clifford Crowninshield Esq: in presence of John Clarke G. C. Crowninshield acknowledged this instrument to be his Dsd. before John Pickering Justic:as  
John Pickering Esq: July 1. 1791 recorded & exam by John Pickering Reg'r

I know all men by these presents that I Samuel Very of S. Salem in the County of Essex cordwainer with the consent of C. Crowninshield Abigail my wife who consents to quit her claim to have in the estate hereby conveyed in consideration of fifty pounds lawful money paid me by Clifford Crowninshield of Salem aforesaid mariner the receipt whereof I do hereby acknowledge do hereby give grant sell and convey unto the said Clifford his heirs & assigns a piece of land in Salem aforesaid bounding southerly on the main street there measuring thirty two feet easterly on land of Benjamin Ward there measuring one hundred & thirty seven feet northerly on the common or way by the common there measuring twenty nine feet and waterly on the land of the said Clifford there measuring about 137 feet inches it being the same piece of land sold me by the said Clifford this day to have and to hold the same to the said Clifford his heirs & assigns to his & their use and behooff forever and I do covenant with the said Clifford his heirs and assigns that I am lawfully seised in fee of the premises that they are free of all incumbrances that I have good right to sell and convey the same to the said Clifford to have as aforesaid and that I will warrant and defend the same to the said Clifford his heirs and assigns forever against the lawful claim and demands of all persons. Provided nevertheless that if the said Samuel Very his executors or administrators pay to the said Clifford Crowninshield his heirs executors administrators or assigns the sum of fifty pounds lawful money in specie with lawful interest for the same on or before the twenty ninth day of June which will be in the year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred and ninety two then this deed as also a certain bond bearing even date with these presents given by the said Samuel to the said Clifford conditioned to pay the same sum and interest at the time aforesaid shall both be void otherwise shall remain in full force and effect.

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