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120 Federal Street

Built by

ELIJAH and JACOB SANDERSON, cabinetmakers

in 1783

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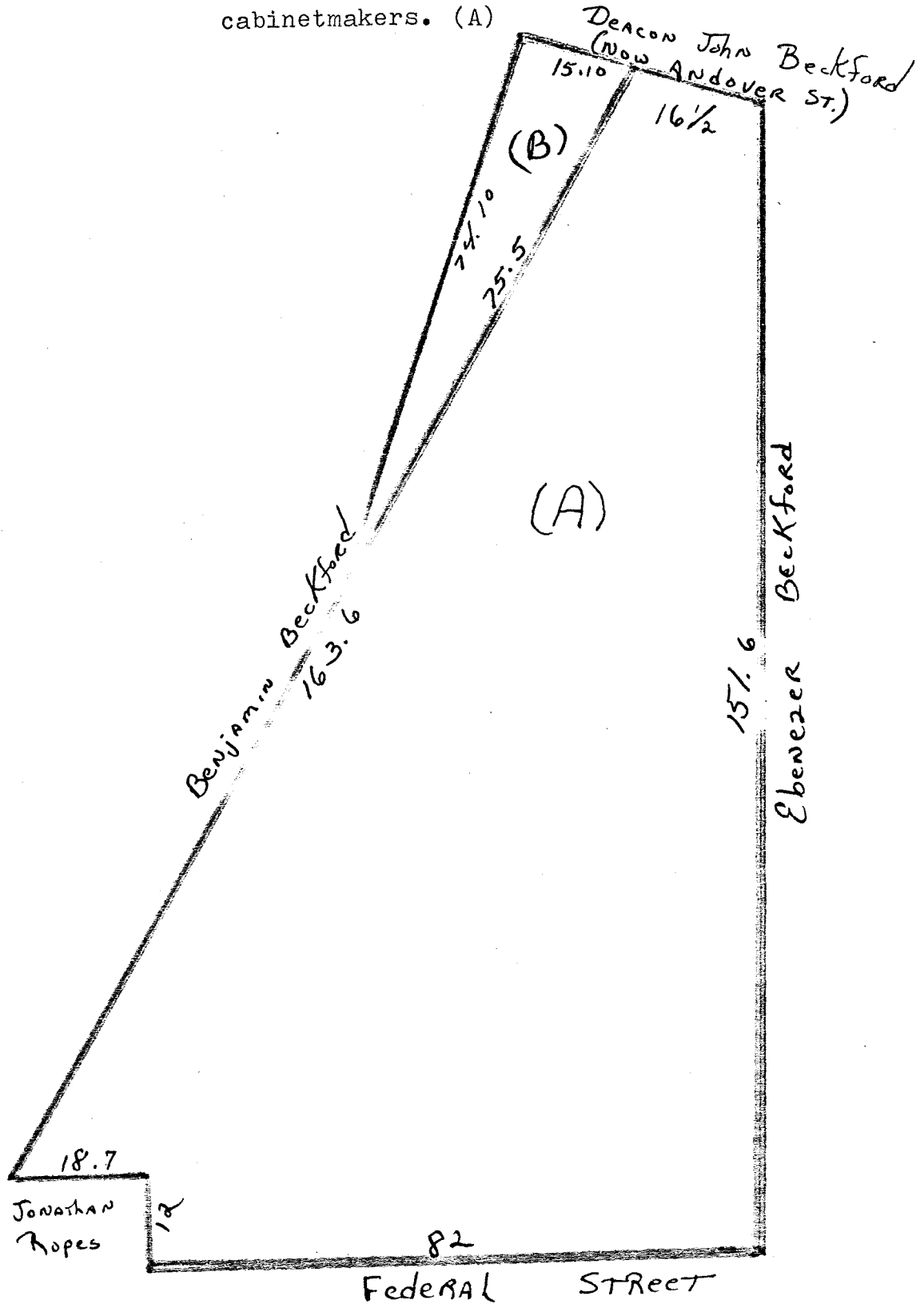
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*"to preserve Historic Sites, Buildings and objects,
and to work for the education of the community
in the true value of the same."*

120 Federal Street

Book 139 page 39
March 6, 1781
155 pounds

Ebenezer and Hannah Beckford sold a parcel
of land to Elijah and Jacob Sanderson,
cabinetmakers. (A)

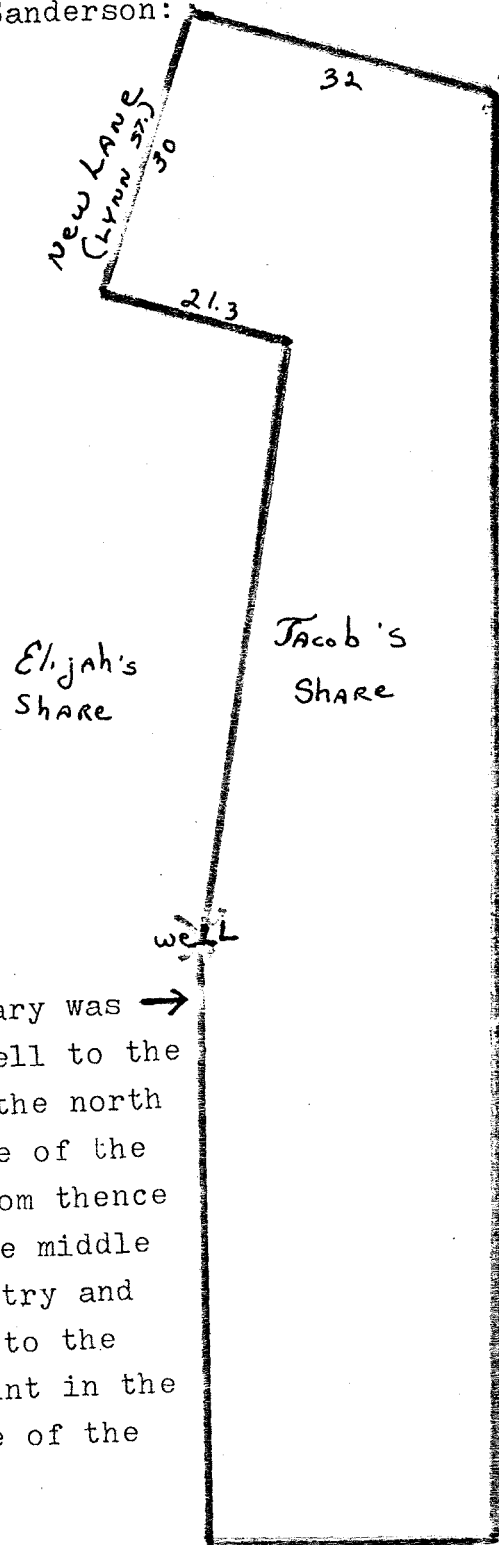


Book 157 page 72
August 7, 1782
5 shillings

Book 141 page 78
August 28, 1783

Benjamin Goodhue Jr. sold a small piece
of land (B) to Elijah and Jacob Sanderson.

A division was made between Elijah and
Jacob Sanderson:



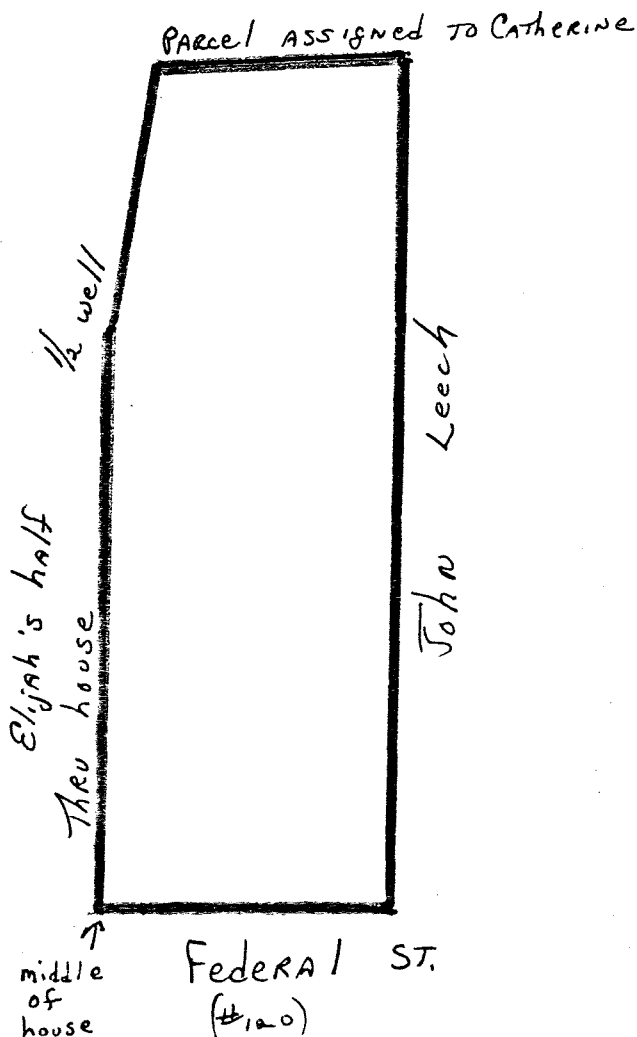
This boundary was →
thru the well to the
middle of the north
or backside of the
pantry, from thence
through the middle
of the pantry and
the house to the
middle point in the
south side of the
house.

(#120)
Federal ST.

1810 Feb. - Jacob Sanderson died at the age of 52. In his will (#24568) Mr. Sanderson bequeathed all his estate, both real and personal, to his wife Catharine (Harrington) Sanderson. The real estate was listed as: "Mansion house in Federal Street" (now 120 Federal), a store and land in Federal Street, a pew in Dr. Barnad's Meeting-house, and the dwelling house on Andover St.

Book 194 page 238
August 19, 1811
\$1,435

Catharine Sanderson, widow and executrix of Jacob, sold "half of the mansion house where said Jacob did dwell and land under and adjoining" to Rev. Brown Emerson. Mrs. Sanderson sold this property to help raise the sum of \$5,500 needed to settle the estate.



Book 379 page 236
March 22, 1847

Brown Emerson, doctor in divinity, sold the land and half a dwelling house to Josiah Hayward, master mariner. "Being the whole estate conveyed to me by Catharine Sanderson executrix of the estate of Jacob Sanderson."

Book 998 page 155
May 23, 1878

The heirs of Josiah Hayward sold the land and buildings to Malvinia L. Hamblet. "The same premises conveyed by deed of Brown Emerson to Josiah Hayward on March 22, 1847."

Book 2907 page 289
Jan. 9, 1932
\$2,000

Marcia C. Hamblet of N.Y., N.Y., administratrix of the will of Laura M. Hamblet sold the property to Mary L. Hamblet of Burrillville, R.I.. "For title see deed of Josiah Hayward et als to Malvinia L. Hamblet on May 23, 1878 recorded in book 998 page 155. Said Malvinia L. Hamblet was the mother of Laura M. Hamblet deceased and Augustus P. Hamblet deceased. The said Mary L. Hamblet is the daughter of Augustus P. Hamblet and Marcia C. Hamblet is the widow of Abel M."

Book 3525 page
April 9, 1947

Mary L. Hamblet, unmarried, sold the land and buildings to Margaret T. Rasmusen. "For my title see deed recorded in book 2907 page 289-290."

Book 3696 page 304
Oct. 11, 1949

Margaret T. Rasmusen, widow, sold the property to Margaret T. and Edward D. Rasmusen. "The same conveyed by deed of Mary L. Hamblet on April 9, 1947."

Book 4739 page 503
Jan. 26, 1961

Margaret T. Rasmusen, unmarried, and Edward D. Rasmusen sold the land and buildings to James A. and Joan L. Bailey. "The same conveyed to Margaret T. Rasmusen et al by deed of Margaret T. Rasmusen on Oct. 11, 1949."

Book 6945 page 684
June 17, 1982

James A. Bailey sold the land and building at 120 Federal St., to Anthony F. Di Croce.

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 not meant to be exact, just for illustration purposes.

DATE DOCUMENTATION

The first mention of a dwelling house on this land appears in the August 1783 deed in which Elijah and Jacob Sanderson divide the "house" and land. The Sandersons first appear on the tax rolls in "1784-5" when the brothers are each taxed for part of a house, valued at \$300 and a shop, valued at \$75.

"Built as a two-family house by and for Jacob and Elijah Sanderson in 1783 ____ this three-story plus hip roof building has two front entrances, one in each side yard. The house still has Pre-Federal period molded window caps and sills; the latter are not seen frequently. The eastern half of the house was modified when Victorian trim and bay windows were added, but the west side remains as it was with a pedimented, pilastered entrance. Archer says that Josiah Hayward, a stone mason, lived at #120 where his daughter kept a private school and that Deacon John Punchard and his daughter Keziah lived in the other half of the house.

The Sanderson brothers, who built the house, originally came from Lexington; Elijah is said to have followed a British officer to Lincoln where he was captured and kept prisoner in the same field with Paul Revere on the eve of April 16, 1776. Not long after this incident, the two brothers came to Salem and carried on an extensive venture cabinet trade, shipping fine Salem-made furniture wherever Salem vessels sailed." (Salem Historic District Study Committee Investigation)

Two building permits have been found regarding this house:

- 1883 April 12 - Mrs. M. Hamblet - bay window in yard over the door.
- 1888 April 23 - Malvina Hamblet - alteration of building.



WASHINGTON STREET

DERBY MARKET HOUSE

MALBORN STREET
NORTH
DEPOT
ESSEX ROAD

BRIDGEMAN
N

Essex Rail Road

CHURCH
STREET

SEX
STREET

BARTON
STREET

NORMAN
STREET

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SUMMER
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HAMILTON STREET

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CHESTNUT
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PICKERING ST

BROAD STREET
CEMETERY

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DEAN STREET

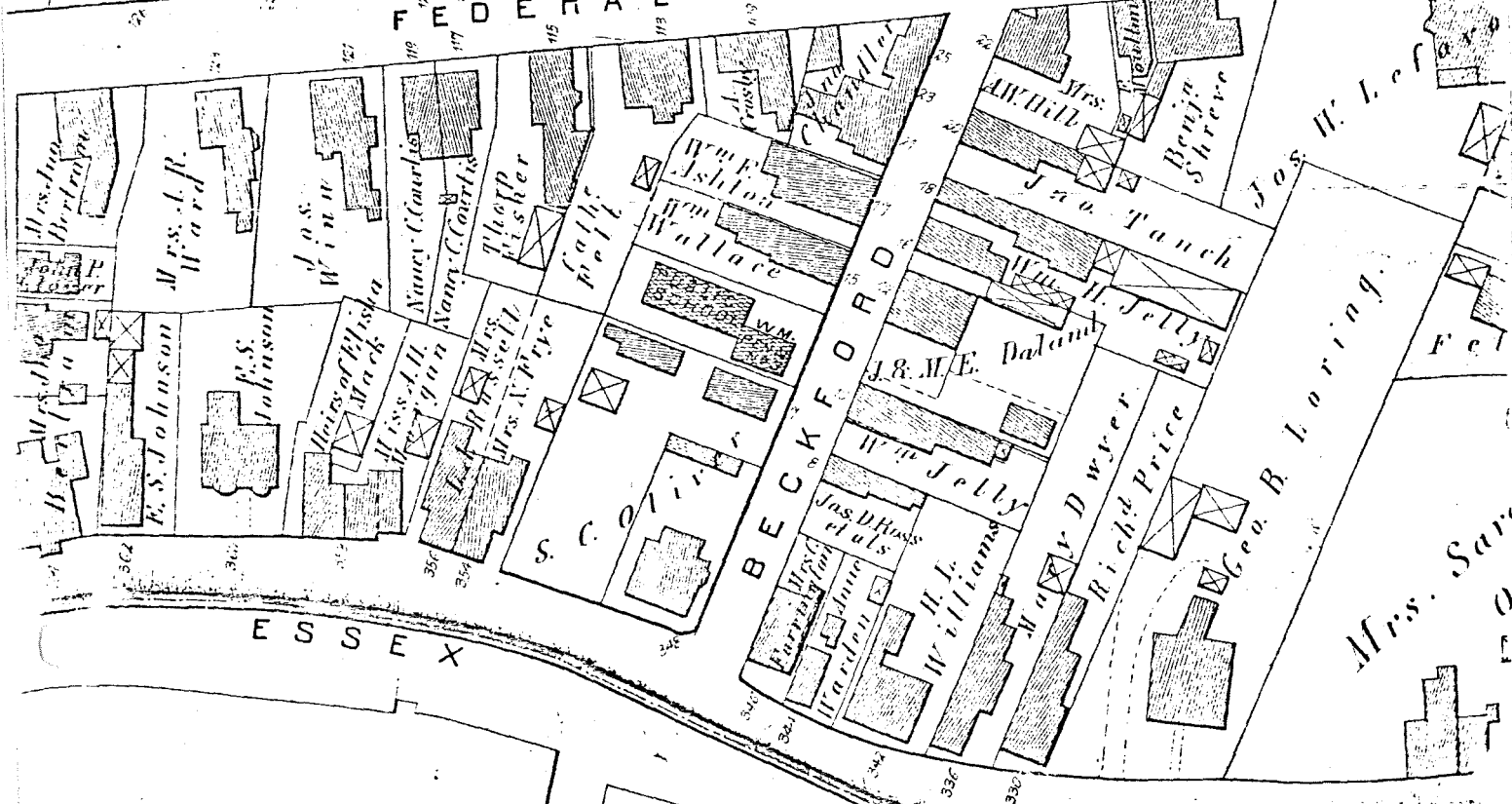
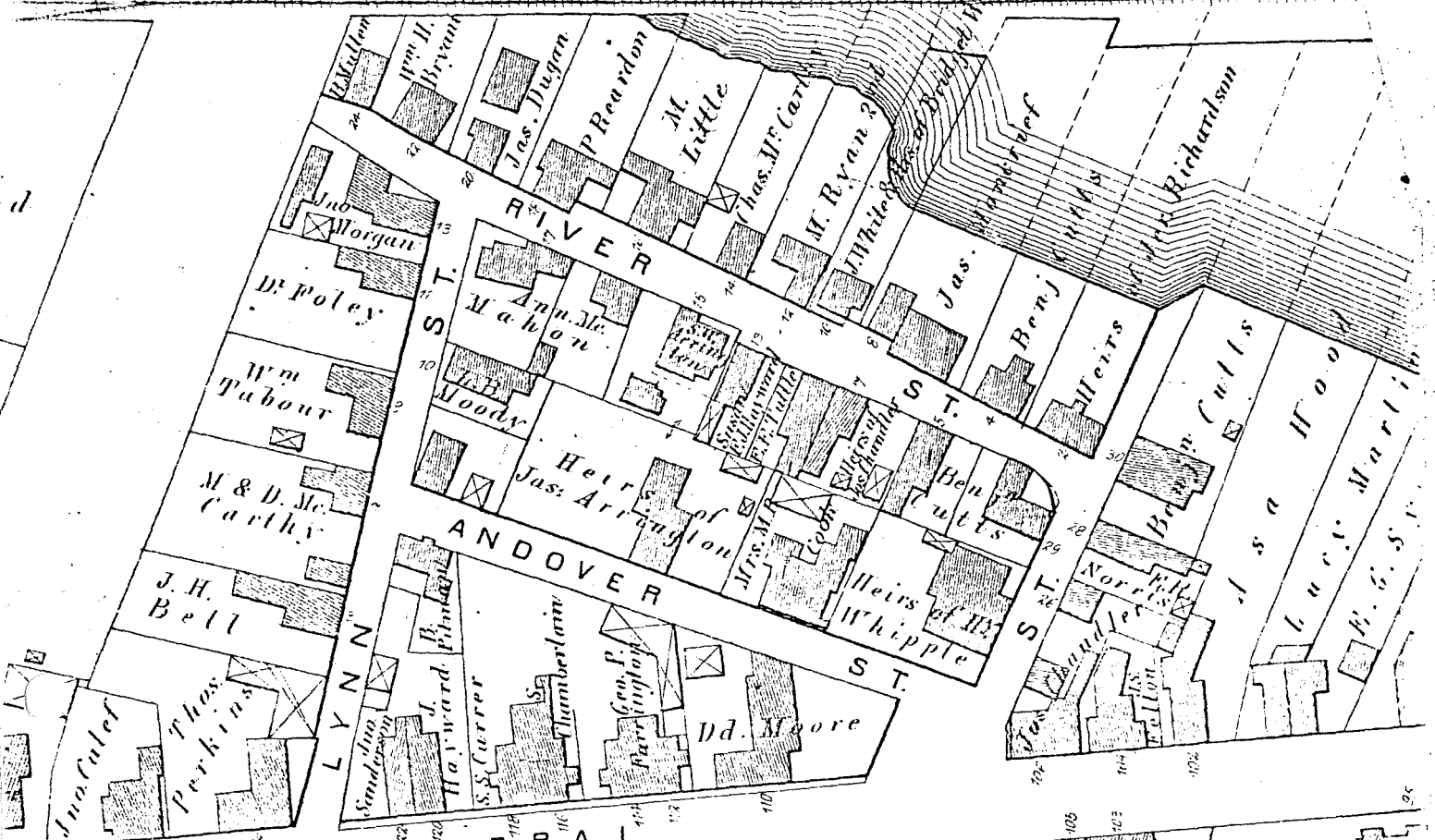
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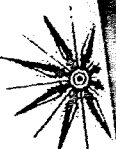
STREET

1874



1756

42



41

2

RIVER

ANDOVER

BECKFORD

4

LYNN

LOCKMAN
Sq

FILLG STA

7

FEDERAL

MONROE

BRIDGE

MERRITT INC.

MUNROE & ARNOLD

CARPENTER

CHILDRENS HOME

GIFFORD CT

8

6

W. No. 140
HIDES
TRAINING ESTABLISHMENT

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PUBLIC LAND



1879 Sept. - "The lifeless body of Mr. James Dean was found at the culvert near the gas house, at half past five yesterday morning. Medical Examiner Carlton deemed the fact of accidental drowning so plainly indicated, that no inquest was held. Mr. Dean was about 66 years of age, and was for many years foreman at the gas works."
 (Salem Gazette)

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1880 census

Mary Dean	age 50	keeps house	born Ire.
James F. "	" 26	tinsmith	" Mass.
Maurice "	" 24	tailor	" "
Joanna "	" 22	at home	" "
Mary "	" 20	shoe stitcher	" "
Bridget "	" 18	works in cotton factory	" "
Kate "	" 16	shoe stitcher	" "
Agnes "	" 10	at school	" "

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1881 List of Personalities of Municipal Government

Patrick Dean - A tinsmith, employed at 29 Front St. - Greenbacker

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1900 census

Nicholas Dean	age 49	stone contractor	born Mass.
Mary "	" 78	(came U.S.A. 1845)	" Ire.
Catherine "	" 36	hairdresser	" Mass.
Agnes "	" 30		" "

1910 census

Mary Dean	age 88		born Ire.
Katherine "	" 46	hairdresser	" Mass.
Agnes "	" 39		" "

DATE DOCUMENTATION

The first mention of a dwelling house on this lot appears in Samuel Tilton's mortgage to John H. Nichols, August 24, 1852. In this mortgage Mr. Tilton is described as a housewright and is listed in the directory as a carpenter with a shop at 10 Lafayette St. The Tilton family lived at 4 Ash St. while renting out the house at 10 Smith St.

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<u>Occupants</u>	<u>Owner</u>
1854 John J. Washington	Samuel D. Tilton or John Nichols value \$300
1857 George Webber, ropemaker	S. Tilton to J. Nichols value \$300
1858 John D. Brown	John Nichols
1859 Mrs. Ruth R. Finley, widow	John H. Nichols
1860 James Dean	James Dean value \$300

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1870 census

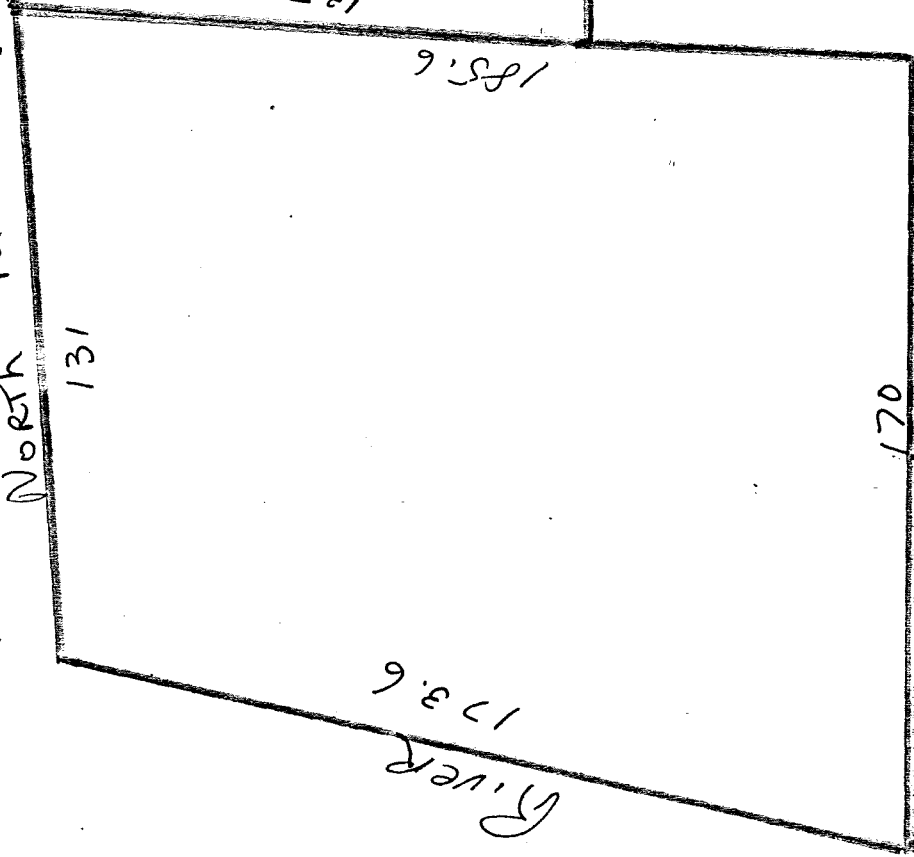
James Dean	age 46	stone mason	born Ire.
Mary "	" 44	keeps house	" "
Patrick "	" 22	tin plate worker	" "
Nicholas "	" 19	plumber	" Mass.
James "	" 16	apprentice	" "
Morris "	" 14	at school	" "
Hannah "	" 12	at school	" "
Mary "	" 11		" "
Bridget "	" 8		" "
Katy "	" 6		" "
Agnes "	" 4months		" "

North River

131

173.6

River



125

185.6

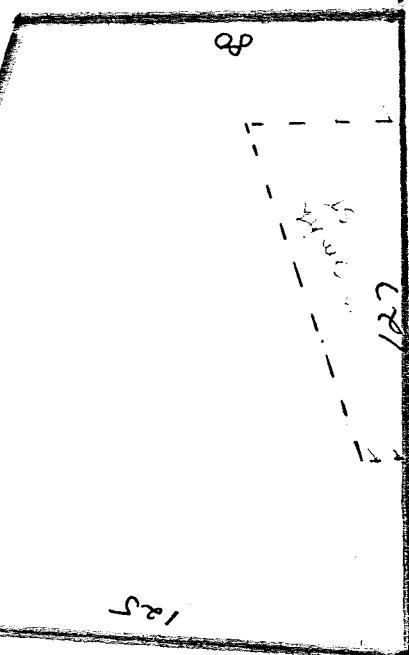
Nortkey ST.

River

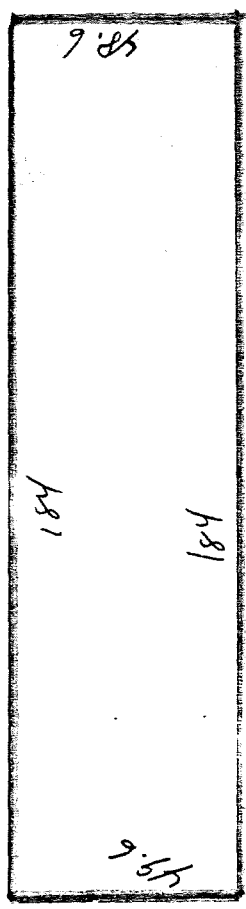
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Nortkey's Land



Lane to Lemon ST



ANSTINE O'NE

Wm King

EASTERN RAILROAD

TO

Ezra Nortkey sold

1839

3 Lots of Land