

JOSHUA UPHAM

chemist

1835

18 Orne St
Salem, Mass.

House & Land at 18 Orne Street, Salem, Mass.

This house was built in 1835 by Deacon Joshua Upham, Salem "chemist." At that time, Mr Upham (1784-1858) was superintendent of the Salem Chemical Works on the North River in North Salem, and resided at 70 Federal Street (#70 became #148; St James Church stands on its site). Apparently he never lived at Orne Street, & probably built it for one of his children or as investment property. According to Salem property tax records, Joshua owned just one house (70 Federal St) in 1834; but in 1835 he was assessed for that house and for two houses in North Salem--that which he bought of Nahum H Groce in June 1835 (deeds, 284:84), and this house, which he built on the lot bought of Robt Manning in July 1835 (deeds, 284:84).

Mr Upham was born in Saugus on 15 Dec 1784, & in 1804 came penniless to Salem, where he worked as a mason and, on 27 Jan 1807, married his employer's daughter, Mary Nichols, by whom he had 12 children. For many years he was superintendent at the Chemical Works, and Deacon of Salem's Baptist Church. After the death of his wife Mary, he married widow Ann (Marshall) Ruggs of Salem, in 1845. Joshua Upham died in Salem on 20 July 1858, aged 73, and was buried at Broad Street cemetery. Of his 12 children, one became a deacon & three became ministers, one of whom, James, published a memoir of his father in 1885, illustrating it with a fine daguerreotype of Deacon Joshua. This little book, & the Upham Genealogy by FK Upham, 1892 (see pp. 168-73), are available at the Library of the Essex Institute in Salem.

The land on which the house stands was, in the 18th century & probably even earlier, part of the Symonds family's holdings in the "North Fields" (now North Salem). Towards the end of the 18th century it belonged to John Symonds, who left it to his son John Symonds Jr, whose widow Susannah sold it for \$80 to Capt. Benjamin Daland on 18 May 1813. At this time there were no buildings on it, no Upham or Walter Streets.

Capt. Daland sank a well, & conveyed the property on 31 Mar 1820 to Elisha Mack, who on 22 Ap 1834 sold it for \$150 to Robert Manning. Mr Manning (uncle & former guardian of author Nathaniel Hawthorne, & America's foremost pomologist) lived on Dearborn St, & probably used the land as part of his extensive North Fields orchard. He sold it 2 July 1835 for \$350 to Joshua Upham, who probably built this house immediately. About 1839, Upham laid out Upham Street (35' wide) through his land, much of which he divided into marketable house lots, and finally sold this house & its land for \$725 to James Sanborn, Salem currier, on 5 Mar 1841.

James Sanborn, born in 1811 in Chichester NH, came to Salem & married Abigail F Cate in 1838. He was a tanner & currier, and did business at 3 Franklin St in North Salem. The couple had 8 children; she died in 1862, and he died 24 Feb 1863, at which time the property descended to their children, who slowly sold their

shares of the estate to their brother Arthur Prescott Sanborn, an apothecary then residing in Providence RI, who finally came to own the entire property on 13 Oct 1887.

On 29 May 1894, Arthur P Sanborn conveyed the estate to his sister & her husband, Annie L (Sanborn) & Horace N Smith. After the death of her husband, Annie L (Sanborn) Smith sold the property 6 Ap 1927 to William & Georgie Martin; & widow Georgie Martin conveyed it on 15 May to the present owner, Robert S Martin.

Robert Booth
13 May 1976

Deeds relating to the house & land at 18 Orne St
Salem, Mass.

18 May 1813: Susannah SYMONDS (Salem widow & administratrix of the estate of her deceased husband, John Symonds Jr of Salem), being licensed to sell her husband's estate in order to pay debts, for \$80 sells to Capt. Benjamin Daland of Salem, a piece of land in Salem's North Field, lying on the Road leading to Orne's Point, bounded starting at the nw corner by the estate of Obadiah Groce & the highway, & bounded

sw 452' on estate of sd Groce
se 64' on Butman
ne 470' on Balch, Felt, & others
nw 63' on the highway (road to Orne's Pt);

this lot being about $\frac{1}{2}$ acre, & being the same lot that John Symonds Jr received from the estate of his father. The grantor, Susannah Symonds, reserves her right of dower in this land. (So. Essex Co. Deeds, 199:267)

31 Mar 1820: Benjamin DALAND, Salem gentleman, for \$300 sells to Elisha MACK Esq., Salem, two Salem lots, the first being bounded

sw 452' on the estate of Obadiah Groce dec'd
se 64' on formerly Butman
ne 470' on Balch, Felt, & heirs of Obadiah Groce
nw 63' on the highway to Orne's Pt;

including a well, & the same dower right as above; being the same lot he purchased of Susannah Symonds.

(Deeds, 222:184)

22 Ap 1834: Elisha MACK Esq, Salem, for \$150 sells to Robert MANNING, Salem gentleman, a North Fields lot with a well thereon, subject to the above dower right, bounded

n. 63' on the Road to Orne's Point
e. 470' on sd Mack & on now or late Felt & Balch
s. 64' on Thomas Symonds
w. 452' on sd Robt Manning

(Deeds, 273:311)

2 July 1835: Robert MANNING, Salem gentleman, for \$350 sells to Joshua UPHAM, Salem chemist, a Salem parcel that he bought of Elisha Mack (273:311), including a well, & subject to Susannah Symonds' dower right, bounded the same as in the deed above (22 Ap 1834, 273:311). And Robert Manning also sells the lot immediately to the sw of this one.

(Deeds, 284:85)

5 Mar 1841: Joshua UPHAM, Salem chemist, for \$725 sells to James SANBORN, Salem currier, a dwelling house, shop & land, bounded starting at the n.e. corner of the premises, & then

runs south 65' 4" on Daniel Harris
runs west 115' 4" on sd Daniel Harris
runs north 64' on Upham Street
runs east 115' on road to Orne's Point

(Deeds, 323:277)

11 Nov 1876: Walter H & Mary A (Sanborn) MORSE sell to Arthur P SANBORN of Rhode Island, one undivided 6th part of a Salem message, bounded

sw 156' 4" on Upham St
ne 166' 4" on Daniel Harris or others
west 115' on road to Orne's Point
se 116' on Daniel M Harris;

meaning to convey 1/6 of the seatte described in these 3 deeds: 323:277, 382:20, 493:97. (Deeds, 964:262)

24 Jan 1880 thru 13 Oct 1887: Horace N & Annie L (Sanborn) SMITH, James A SANBORN, Martha S SANBORN, & Susan T SANBORN, all Salem, grant to Arthur P SANBORN, of Providence RI, their various 5th parts in the real estate bounded starting at Orne St 60' east of Upham St at land sold 24 Jan 1880 to Annie L (ux Horace N) Smith, & then runs east 55' by Orne Street, then runs south 166' 4" by Danl M Harris (formerly Danl Harris), then runs west 116' by William Harris, then runs north 86' 4" by Upham St to a point 62' south of Orne St, then runs east 68' 6" by land sold to Annie L Smith 24 Jan 1880, then runs north 73' on sd Smith & back to starting pt on Orne St

(The above comes from 4 deeds: 1032:19, 1047:102, 1052:152, 1209:194)

29 May 1894: Arthur P SANBORN grants Annie L (Sanborn), wife of Horace N SMITH, a Salem message bounded

nw by Orne St
ne by Danl M Harris & by Osborne
se by Warren P Harris
sw by sd Annie L Smith;

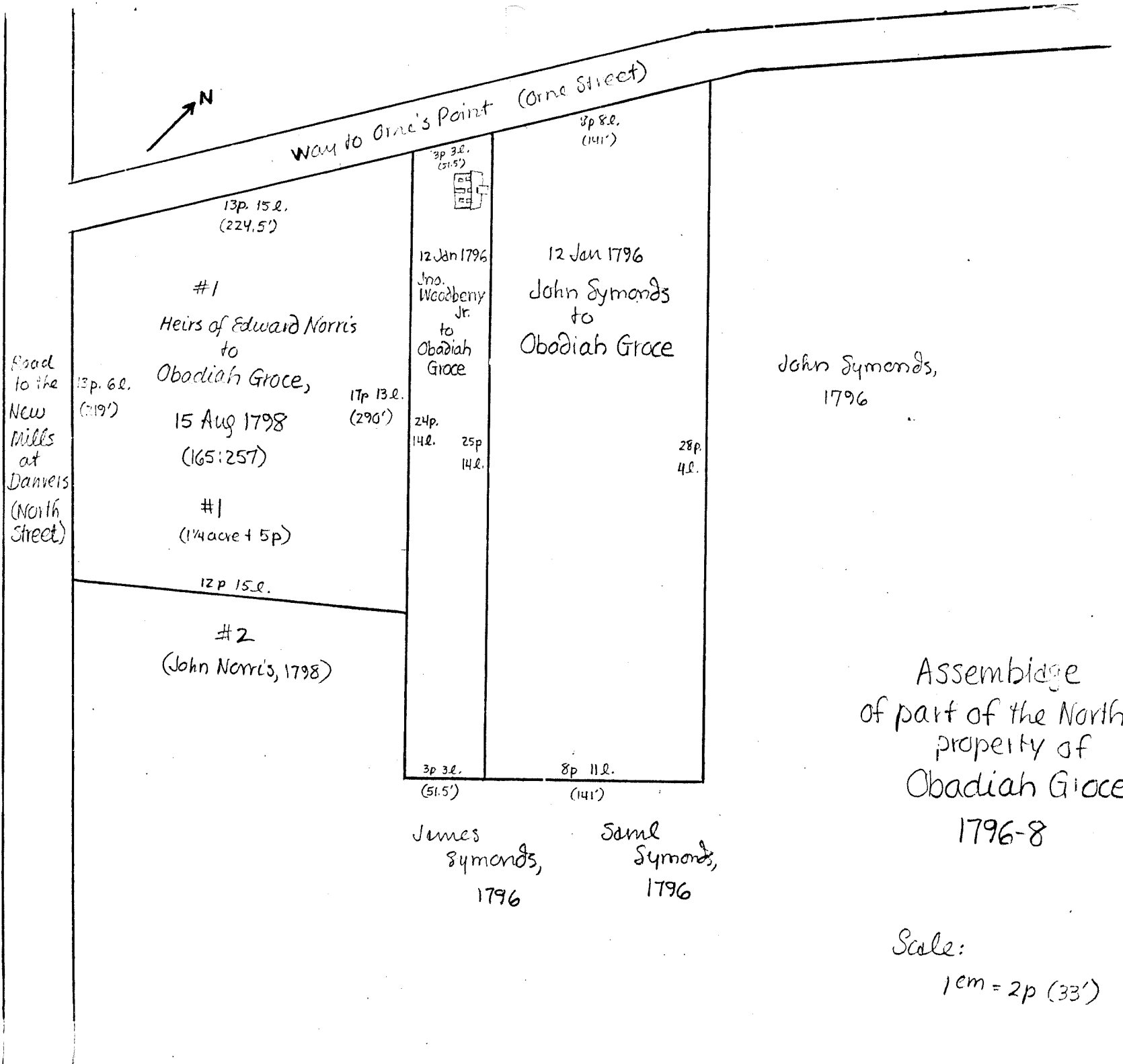
being the same estate he purchased by 5 deeds, vizt. 964:262, 1032:19, 1047:102, 1052:152, 1209:194. (Deeds, 1413:317)

6 Ap 1927: Annie L (Sanborn) SMITH, Salem widow, grants to William & Georgie (his wife) MARTIN, a Salem message bounded as described above, 29 May 1894. (Deeds, 2718:13)

15 May 1953: Georgie MARTIN grants Robert S MARTIN a Salem message, bounded

nw 56.68' on Orne St
ne 118' on now or formerly (n/f) of Cameron & of LeBrun
se 43.33' on n/f Roberts
sw 107.5' on n/f Upton;
the estate containing 5,640' sq.

(Deeds, 3979:209, with plan)



Way to Orne's Point (Orne Street)

Road to the New Mills at Danvers (North Street)

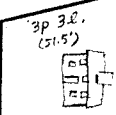
13p 15l.
(224.5')

#1
Heirs of Edward Norris
to
Obodiah Groce,
15 Aug 1798
(165:257)

#1
(1/4 acre + 5p)

12p 15l.

#2
(John Norris, 1798)



12 Jan 1796
Jno. Woodbeny
Jr.
to
Obodiah
Groce

12 Jan 1796
John Symonds
to
Obodiah Groce

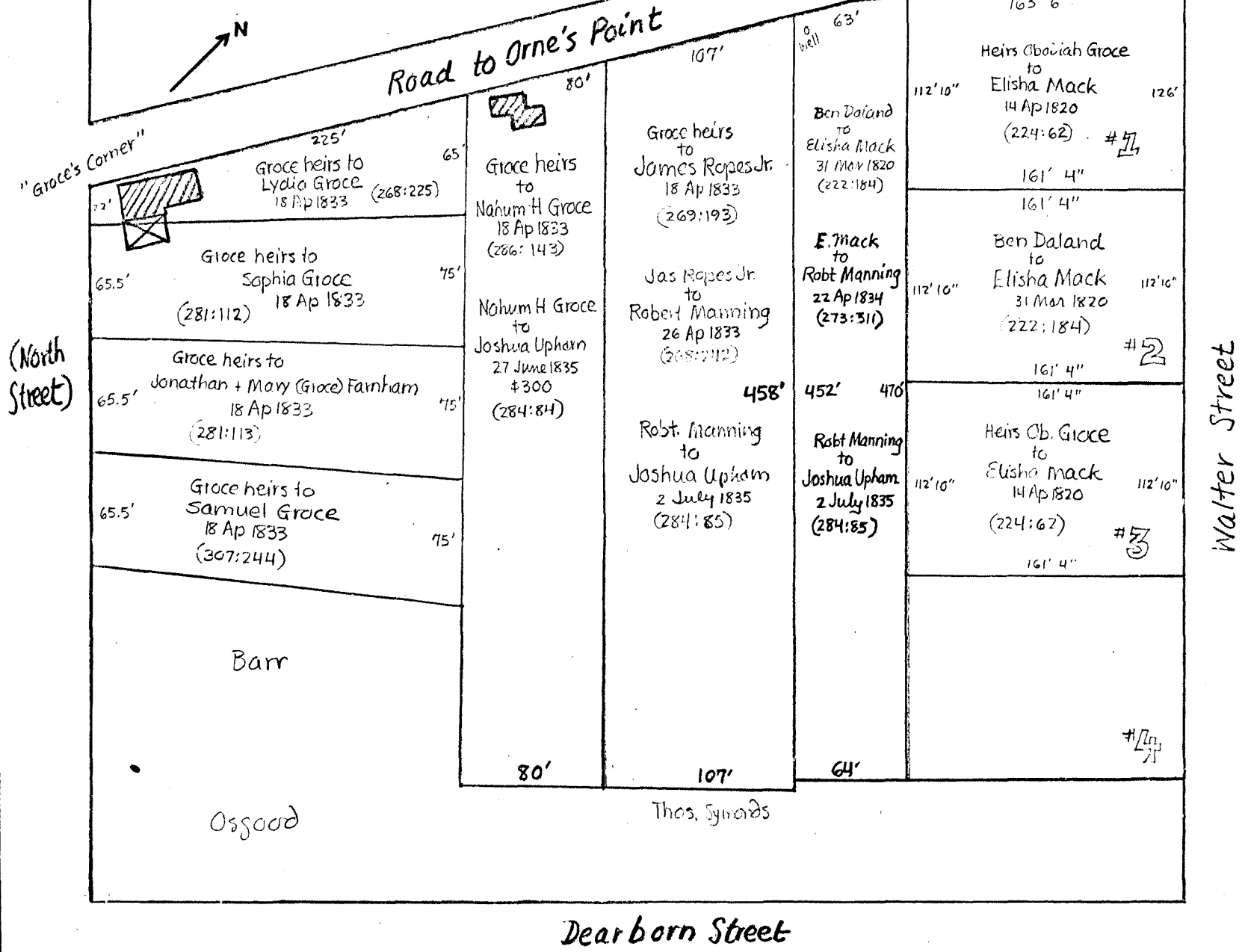
John Symonds,
1796

James
Symonds,
1796

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Symonds,
1796

Assembldge
of part of the North Fields
property of
Obodiah Groce
1796-8

Scale:
1cm = 2p (33')



"Groce's Corner"

(North Street)

Road to Orne's Point

Walter Street

Dearborn Street

General ownership of property as of 2 July 1835

Osgood

= house

= shop or shed

1 cm = 2 poles (33')

1 mm = 3.3'

North Street



Road to Orne's Point

Groce heirs

Joshua Upham
27 June 1835

Joshua Upham
2 July 1835

Joshua Upham
2 July 1835

Elisha Meck

Well



80'

107'

63'

80'

107'

64'

470'

35'

Dearborn Street

Walter Street

North Fields
estate of
Joshua Upham
as of
2 July 1835

--- : Upham Street, laid out in 1840,
35' wide

1 cm = 2 p (33')

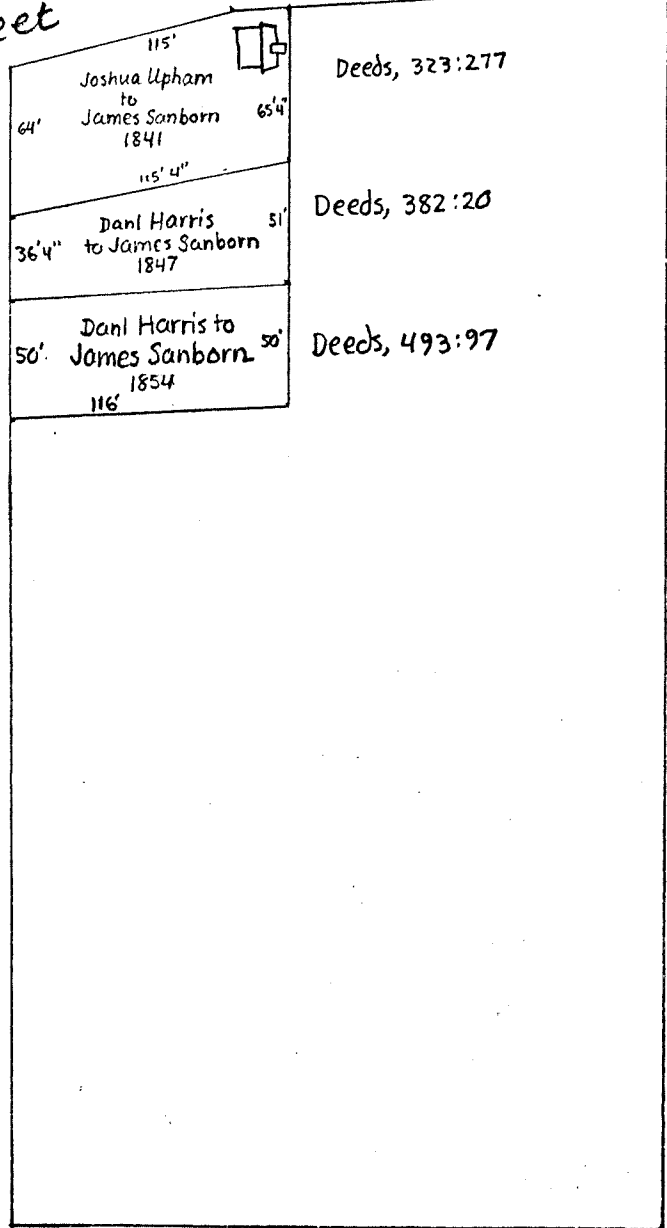


Ome Street

North Street

Upham Street

Walter Street



115'
Joshua Upham
to
James Sanborn 65' 4"
1841

115' 4"
36' 4"
Danl Harris
to James Sanborn
1847

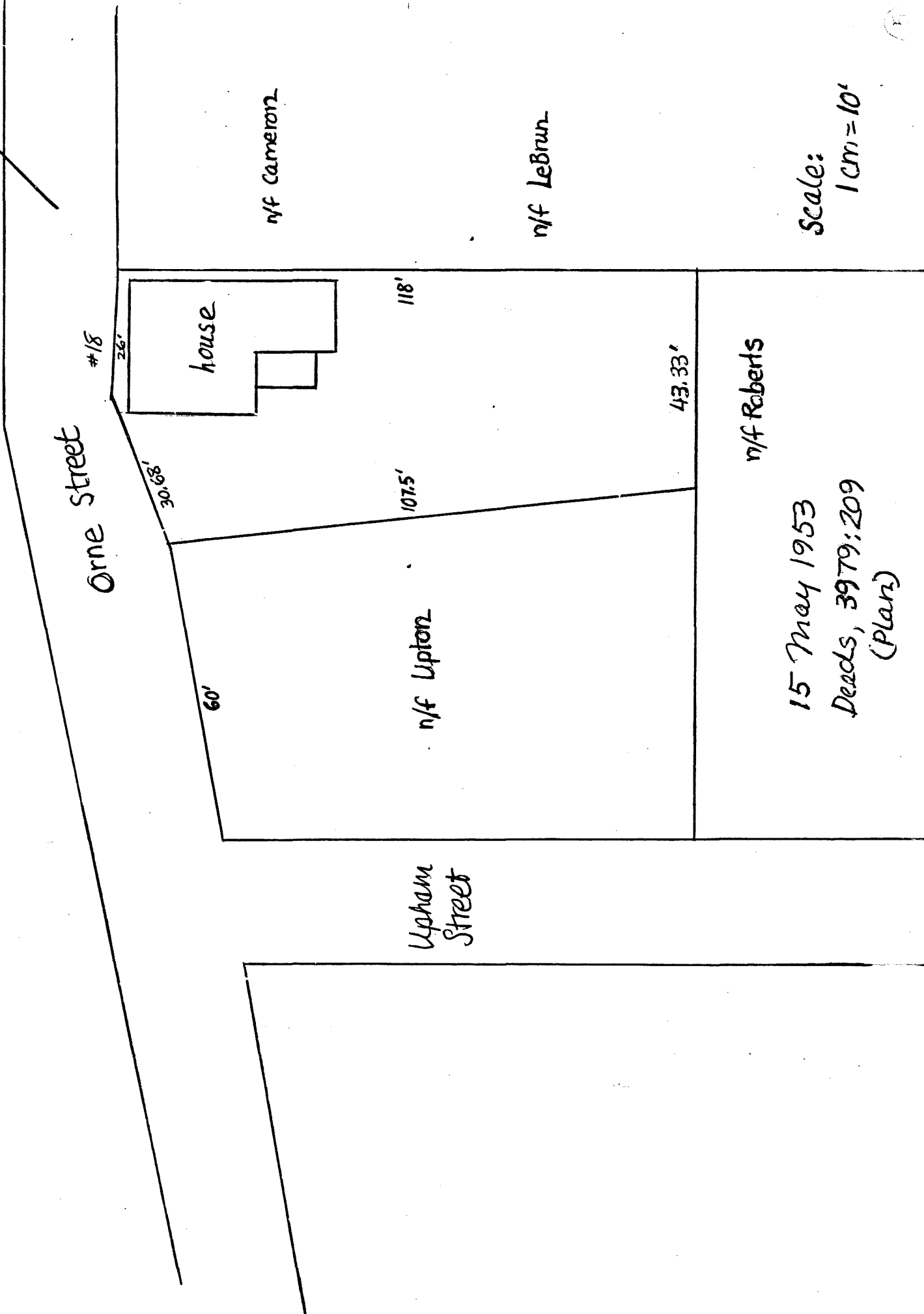
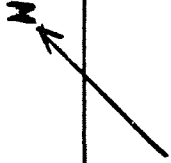
50'
Danl Harris to
James Sanborn 50'
1854
116'

Deeds, 323:277

Deeds, 382:20

Deeds, 493:97

1cm = 2p (33')



Orne Street

#18

26'

house

118'

30.68'

107.5'

60'

43.33'

n/f Upton

Upham Street

n/f Cameron

n/f Lebrun

n/f Roberts

15 May 1953
Deeds, 3979; 209
(Plans)

Scale:
1 cm = 10'