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16 Cross Street

Built for
John F. Wells
Railroad Carpenter
and his wife
Maria L. Weeks
in 1876

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Owners & Occupants
16 Cross Street, Salem

By Robert Booth, Sept. 2019

According to available evidence, this house was built for John F. Wells, railroad carpenter, and wife Maria L. Weeks, as their family residence in 1876.

On 2 Oct. 1876 Mrs. Hannah B. Cornelius for \$800 sold to John F. Wells a lot of land running n.e. 57' 2", s.e. 52' 6" by land of the grantor, s.w. 57' 9" by Cross Street, and n.w. 53' 2" by Saunders Street (ED 961:108). The lot had been sold as part of a larger lot in 1864 to Mrs. Cornelius; at that time Cross Street was known as Short Street; in 1846 that same double lot had been sold to Alonzo Cornelius (ED 663:104, 371:122). Mr. Wells immediately took out a city permit to have this house built: two stories, wood, pitched roof, footprint 18' by 38', corner of Saunders and Cross (this and other such historic building permits, available in 2011 at the time of the "Form B" submitted to the Mass. Historical Commission, cannot now be found at the Salem city offices, per inquiry by Robert Booth).

John F. Wells had come from Portland, Maine, to Salem, as early as 1874, evidently in connection with the work he did as a car-builder for the railroad. The large Eastern Rail Road car shop and grounds, where the railroad cars were built, was situated on Bridge Street. He was then (1874) residing at 19 Mall Street, Salem, off the Common (per Salem Directory)

Wells was a native of Maine. In 1860 (per census, house 915, Portland), John F. Wells, 22, was a bachelor railroad employee in Portland living at the family home with his father Samuel, also a "railroad employee," and stepmother Mary, and his younger siblings Samuel, Ellen, and Sarah. John married Maria Louise Weeks; on Oct. 1, 1865, the couple had a child, Elizabeth, nicknamed "Birdie." In 1870 John, a carpenter, was listed with his family at Portland by the census-taker (house 371). Maria L. (Weeks) Wells was born in Portland in 1840, the youngest sister of 10 siblings, six boys and four girls.

The Salem to which the Wellses came c. 1874 was completing its transition from a seaport to a center of manufacturing and transportation. In 1870 Salem received its last cargo from Zanzibar. By then, a new Salem & New York freight steamboat line was in operation. Seven years

later, with the arrival of a vessel from Cayenne, Salem's foreign trade came to an end. After that, "the merchandise warehouses on the wharves no longer contained silks from India, tea from China, pepper from Sumatra, coffee from Arabia, spices from Batavia, gum-copal from Zanzibar, hides from Africa, and the various other products of far-away countries. The boys have ceased to watch on the Neck for the incoming vessels, hoping to earn a reward by being the first to announce to the expectant merchant the safe return of his looked-for vessel. The foreign commerce of Salem, once her pride and glory, has spread its white wings and sailed away forever" (Rev. George Bachelder in *History of Essex County*, II: 65).

John F. Wells (1838-1918), son of Samuel Wells of Portland, Maine, died in Boston on Aug. 1, 1918 (buried Evergreen Cemetery, Portland, Maine). He m. Maria Louisa Weeks (1840-1920), dtr. of Joshua F. Weeks (1793-1875) & Elizabeth Ingersoll Mitchell (1795-1883). Known issue:

1. *Elizabeth I. M. ("Birdie"), 1866, d. 1 May 1883.*
2. _____, *died young.*
3. *Ada L., 1878, pianist, teacher, m. (Boston) 21 Nov. 1900 Oscar B. Gilmore, bookkeeper.*

Salem continued to prosper in the 1870s, carried forward by the leather-making business. In 1874 the city was visited by a tornado and shaken by a minor earthquake. In the following year, the large new Pennsylvania Pier (site of the present coal-fired harborside electrical generating plant) began receiving large shipments of coal, most of it shipped by rail to the factories on the Merrimack. In the neck of land beyond the Pier, a new owner began subdividing the old Allen farmlands into a development called Salem Willows and Juniper Point. In the U. S. centennial year, 1876, A. G. Bell, with his laboratory in Salem, announced that he had discovered a way to transmit voices over telegraph wires.

In this decade, large numbers of French-Canadian families came to work in Salem's mills and factories, and more houses and tenements were built. The better-off workers bought portions of older houses or built small homes for their families in the outlying sections of the city; and by 1879 the Naumkeag Steam Cotton mills would employ 1500 people (including hundreds of children) and produce annually nearly 15 million yards of cloth. Shoe-manufacturing businesses expanded in the 1870s, and 40 shoe factories were employing 600-plus operatives. Tanning, in both Salem and Peabody, remained a very important industry, and employed hundreds of breadwinners. On Boston Street in 1879, the Arnold tannery caught fire and burned down.

In the 1880s, Salem kept building infrastructure; and new businesses arose, and established businesses expanded. Retail stores prospered; horse-drawn trolleys ran every which-way; and machinists, carpenters, millwrights, and other specialists all thrived. In 1880, Salem's manufactured goods were valued at about \$8.4 million, of which leather accounted for nearly half.

Per the records of the 1880 census-taker (house 179) the occupants of this house were John F. Wells, 42, working as a carpenter, wife Maria L., 39, and daughters Elizabeth, 13 (she had a case of measles at the time) and Ada L. two. By 1882 he had become a car inspector for the Eastern Rail Road and was working in East Boston (see 1882-3 Salem Directory).

On 1 May 1883, Birdie (Elizabeth) Wells died of hepatitis at the age of 16 years, 7 months. One can only imagine the grief of her parents and younger sister Ada, five.

In April, 1886, Mr. Wells sold the homestead to William F. Fischer, of Salem; the bounds recited in the deed were the same as those in the 1876 conveyance (ED 1171:285).

The Wellses left Salem and did not return. They moved to Boston, where John would remain a railroad car inspector. Between 1900 and 1910 they would move to Melrose (see 1910 census), where they may have remained. Mr. Wells would die on Aug. 1, 1918, aged 80 years; his widow, Maria, survived him and would die in 1920.

The new owner, William F. Fischer, a Civil War vet, was married and a father. He earned his living as a tailor.

Born in Stuttgart, Germany, in 1835, probably christened Wilhelm, William was the son of Georg Fischer and Fredericka Muller. He and his parents came to Salem between 1856 and 1858; and William was a Salem tailor when, on Oct. 1, 1861, he enlisted in the 23rd Mass. Infantry Regiment as a private, assigned to Company F. He was promoted to corporal, and was mustered out Oct. 13, 1864. In 1890 he would get a pension from the government. The 23rd was a Salem regiment, known as "Whipple's Jewels," and has a memorial at the head of Winter Street, near the Common.

As a brave soldier on a three-year enlistment, and a member of Company F, Mr. Fischer "took part in all the battles of the regiment" (per obituary, Salem Evening News). The 23rd first fought at Roanoke Island, NC, in February, 1862, and next month was engaged at New

Berne, NC, a bloody conflict where Lt. Col. Henry Merritt of Salem was killed. They would fight in seven more battles that year. Early in 1863 the men sought the enemy around Charleston, SC; and they ended the year at Newport News, without having seen combat. They took a steamer to Portsmouth, Virginia, early in 1864—William was promoted to corporal in January—and in April, as part of the Star Brigade, under General Hackman, they fought at Smithfield, taking casualties. On May 16, at Drury's Bluff, the Brigade was outflanked in the fog and in the battle had 23 men killed and 51 taken prisoner, including General Heckman. In June, 1864, at Cold Harbor, Virginia, they fought under Gen. U. S. Grant. The well-entrenched Rebels slaughtered the Union soldiers, thrown against them in futile charges. At night William's tent was pierced by three bullets, and in action he was hit in the back by a flat piece of a spent shell (per obituary). After fighting in minor actions through the summer, Corporal Fischer was at the end of his enlistment and was released from service in September, 1864, just before the regiment was hit with an epidemic of yellow fever. How happy he must have been to get home!

He resumed his career as a tailor. In September 9, 1867, in Salem, William Fischer, 31, married Mary Philoma Ryan, 25, the daughter of John & Catherine Ryan and a native of North Whitefield, Maine. He opened a merchant tailor's shop at 218 Essex Street, selling fabrics and tailoring clothes; and he would conduct this business until just six months before his death in 1910 (per obituary).

William Frederick Fischer (1835-1910), born 5 Oct. 1835, Stuttgart, Germany, son of George Fischer & Fredericka Muller, died 28 Aug. 1910. He m. 9 Sept. 1867 Mary Philoma Ryan (1838-1910), b. February, 1838, dtr. of John & Catherine Ryan of N. Whitefield, Maine; died 25 May 1910 (buried Greenlawn Cemetery with husband). Known issue:

1. *George Francis, 1868-1908, m. 1896 Helen T. Short; had issue.*
2. _____, *died young.*
3. *Annie Martina, Nov. 1880, died 1935 at Andover.*
4. *Gertrude, Oct. 1882, m. Albert Curtis; died 1944.*

By the mid-1880s, after the Fischers moved in here at #16, Salem was a robust manufacturing city, with thousands of people in need of tailoring services—so presumably William did not lack for customers. The Naumkeag Steam Cotton Company mills at the Point employed 1400 people producing 19 million yards of cotton cloth annually, worth about \$1.5 million. The city's large shoe factories stood downtown behind the Railroad Depot and on Dodge and Lafayette Streets. A jute bagging company prospered with plants on Skerry and English Streets; its

products went south to be used in cotton-baling. Salem factories also produced lead, paint, and oil. At the Eastern Rail Road yard on Bridge Street, cars were repaired and built new.

In July, 1886, the city was roiled by a massive strike against the leather factory owners in Salem and Peabody. For several months, thousands of workers followed the leadership of the national Knights of Labor, remaining off the job and holding out for a ten-hour day and other concessions; but the manufacturers imported men to do the work, some from Maine and Canada, and kept going. The Knights paid the striking workers at first, but eventually ran out of money; and by October and November the cold weather was causing a problem for street-level strikers who had families to feed and keep warm at home. Violence was common: blood flowed, and bones were broken. One man died. The strikers finally lost, and many of them lost their jobs and their homes.

In 1887 the Salem streets were first lit with electricity, replacing gas-light. The gas works would move from Northey Street to a larger site on Bridge Street in 1888, opposite the Beverly Shore.

The Fischers' son, George F., got a job as a salesman for the National Lead Company, headquartered in Boston, for whom he worked his whole life (per obituary). He was an amateur actor, and in March, 1891, appeared in the farce, "A Box of Monkeys" (per "The Visitor," 11 March 1891, p. 191). He evidently went to work in Manhattan, where he met Helen T. Short, 25, a native of Brunswick, NJ. In June, 1896, they were married; and by 1897 they resided at 15½ Cross Street, across from his parents and sisters.

More factories and more people required more space for buildings, more roads, and more storage areas. This space was created by filling in rivers, harbors, and ponds. The once-broad North River was filled from both shores, and became a canal along Bridge Street above the North Bridge. The large and beautiful Mill Pond, which occupied the whole area between the present Jefferson Avenue, Canal Street, and Loring Avenue, finally vanished beneath streets, storage areas, junk-yards, rail-yards, and parking lots. The South River, too, with its epicenter at Central Street (the Custom House had opened there in 1805) disappeared under the pavement of Riley Plaza and New Derby Street, and some of its old wharves were joined together with much in-fill and turned into coal-yards and lumber-yards. Only a canal was left, running in from Derby and Central Wharves to Lafayette Street.

In 1900 William Fischer, 63, who had his tailor shop at 218 Essex, lived here (#16) with wife Mary, 62, and daughters Annie, twenty, who did not work, and Gertrude, 18, a stenographer at the lead company where

her older brother, George, worked as a salesman. George, 31, then resided nearby at #2 Saunders with wife Helen, 31, and their children W. Frederick, 2, and Mary, 1 (per census). The George Fischer family moved to 28½ Gardner Street. In November, 1908, after a couple of weeks of headaches, George, 39, died on the 21st of a cerebral hemorrhage, leaving his wife and children.

Salem kept growing. The Canadians were followed in the early 20th century by large numbers of Polish and Ukrainian families moving into the Derby Street neighborhood, and by Sicilians, in the High Street neighborhood.

William F. Fischer made his last will on June 18, 1910, giving all of his property to his daughter Annie M. Fischer, unless she should marry, in which case it was to go in thirds to her, her sister Gertrude, and the children of their deceased brother George. After Annie's death, the property was to go to the others named. William died in his 75th year, on August 28, 1910, after a short illness, mainly of prostate cancer. He left his wife Mary and two adult children. His daughter-in-law Helen, widowed, and her children had moved to then-328 Lafayette Street. But soon, evidently, they would move into #16.

George Francis Fischer, 1868-1908 (died 21 Nov. 1908), m. 1896 Helen T. Short, 1868-1948? (evidently died Swampscott, 29 March 1948).

Known issue:

1. *William Frederick, 1898, m. Mary E. _____.*
2. *Mary F., 1899, m. Rufus H. Knight of Marblehead.*
3. *Karl, 1902, a bachelor.*

By the eve of World War One, the bustling, polyglot city supported large department stores and factories of every description. People from the surrounding towns, and Marblehead in particular, came to Salem to do their shopping; and its handsome government buildings, as befit the county seat, were busy with conveyances of land, lawsuits, and probate proceedings. The city's politics were lively, and its economy was strong.

On June 25, 1914, in the morning, in Blubber Hollow (Boston Street at Proctor), a fire started in small wooden shoe factory. This fire soon raced out of control, for the west wind was high and the season had been dry. Out of Blubber Hollow the fire roared easterly, a monstrous front of flame and smoke, wiping out the houses of Boston Street, Essex Street, and upper Broad Street, and then sweeping through Hathorne, Winthrop, Endicott, and other residential streets. Men and machines could not stop it: the enormous fire crossed over into South Salem and destroyed the neighborhoods west of Lafayette Street, then devoured the mansions of Lafayette Street itself, and raged onward into the tenement district of

The Point. Despite the combined efforts of heroic fire crews from many towns and cities, the fire overwhelmed everything in its path: the Naumkeag Steam Cotton Company factory complex exploded in an inferno. At Derby Street, just beyond Union, after a 13-hour rampage, the monster died, having consumed 250 acres, 1600 houses, and 41 factories, and leaving three dead and thousands homeless. Some people had insurance, some did not; all received much support and generous donations from all over the country and the world. It was one of the greatest urban disasters in the history of the United States, and the people of Salem would take years to recover from it. Eventually, they did, and many of the former houses and businesses were rebuilt; and they undertook several urban-renewal projects (including Hawthorne Boulevard, where old houses were removed and streets widened).

In 1920, #16 Cross was occupied by the widow Helen T. Fischer, 46, and her children W. Frederick, 22, a bank auditor, Mary, 20, a bank clerk, and Karl, 18, the office manager of a lead company (1920 census, house 83). Their aunts (co-owners) lived in Andover: Annie M. Fischer and Gertrude, wife of Albert Curtis, who worked at a lead works. The sisters lived out their lives in Andover.

In December, 1924, electricians began wiring the house, evidently for the first time (ED 2626:99).

Salem was once again a thriving city; and its tercentenary in 1926 was a time of great celebration. The Depression hit in 1929, and continued through the 1930s. Salem, the county seat and regional retail center, gradually rebounded.

In 1930 (per census) this house (#16) was the home of the widow Helen T. (Short) Fischer, 59, and sons William F., 32, assistant manager of a lead works, and Karl, 28, manager of the same. Evidently they had taken over the lead works with which their father had been associated.

In May, 1942, the Fischers sold the property to Richard L. & wife Margaret A. Freyman (ED 3293:270).

Salem prospered after World War II through the 1950s and into the 1960s. General Electric, Sylvania, Parker Brothers, Pequot Mills (formerly Naumkeag Steam Cotton Co.), Almy's and Newmark's and Webber's department stores, various other retailers, and Beverly's United Shoe Machinery Company were all major local employers.

In April, 1946, the Freymans sold the premises to Thomas M & James J. Kelly (ED 3457:418). In Oct. 1963 Kelly sold to Stanley & Shirley Mikulski (ED 5114:513). In March 1964 Mikulski sold to Aleksy & Marie Skomurski

(ED 5158:253). In September 1997 Skomurski sold to Skomurski Family Trust (ED 16873:263). Since then: July 2004 Skomurski to Jukka P. Heikka and to Colleen F. Woods; Feb. 2012 Heikka and Woods to Michael Phillips & Cynthia Glennon.

Glossary & Sources

A figure like (ED 123:45) refers to book 123, page 45, Essex South Registry of Deeds.

A figure like (#12345) refers to Essex Probate case 12345, on file at the Essex Probate Court, or on microfilm at Mass. Archives, Boston, or at the Peabody Essex Museum's Phillips Library, Rowley.

MSSRW refers to the multi-volume compendium, *Mass. Soldiers & Sailors in the Revolutionary War*, at the Salem Public Library among other places.

MSSCRW refers to the multi-volume compendium, *Mass. Soldiers, Sailors, & Marines in the Civil War*, at the Salem Public Library among other places.

EIHC refers to the Essex Institute Historical Collections (discontinued), a multi-volume set (first volume published in 1859) of data and articles about Essex County. The indices of the EIHC have been consulted regarding many of the people associated with this house.

The six-volume published Salem Vital Records (marriages, births, and deaths through 1849) have been consulted, and the Salem Directory and later Naumkeag Directory, with data about residents and their addresses, etc.

Sidney Perley's three-volume *History of Salem, 1626-1716*, has been consulted, as has the four-volume *William Bentley's Diary*, J. Duncan Phillips' books, some newspapers, and other sources.

Salem real estate valuations, and, where applicable, Salem Street Books, have also been consulted, as have genealogies.

There is much more material available about Salem and its history; and the reader is encouraged to make his or her own discoveries.

--Robert Booth

Know all men by these Presents that Hannah B. Cornelius of Salem in the County of Essex and Commonwealth of Massachusetts in consideration of eight hundred dollars to me paid by John F. Wells of said Salem the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged, do hereby give, grant, bargain, sell, and convey unto the said Wells his heirs and assigns forever, a certain lot of land situate in said Salem bounded and described as follows. Beginning on Saunders street at a point fifty three feet two inches from Cross street, thence running North easterly fifty seven feet and two inches; thence turning and running South easterly by other lands of Grantors fifty two feet and six inches; thence turning and running Southwesterly on Cross street fifty seven feet and nine inches to Saunders street; thence by said Saunders street fifty three feet and two inches to the point begun at. Being a part of the premises conveyed to me by William S. Thayer by deed dated March 2nd A.D. 1864, and recorded with Essex deeds do. Dist. B. 663 L. 104, to which reference may be had. To have and to hold the granted premises, with all the privileges and appurtenances thereto belonging, to the said John F. Wells and his heirs and assigns, to their own use and behoof forever. And I do hereby, for myself and my heirs, executors and administrators, covenant with the said grantee and his heirs and assigns that I am lawfully seized in fee simple of the granted premises, that they are free from all incumbrances that I have good right to sell and convey the same as aforesaid, and that I will, and my heirs, executors, and administrators shall warrant and defend the same to the said grantee and his heirs and assigns forever against the lawful claims and demands of all persons. In witness whereof the said Hannah B. Cornelius hereunto set my hand and seal this second day of October in the year one thousand eight hundred and seventy six.

Signed, sealed, and delivered } Hannah B. Cornelius seal
in presence of C. H. Symonds } Commonwealth of Massachusetts. Essex ss
Oct. 2nd 1876. Then personally appeared the above named Hannah B. Cornelius and acknowledged the foregoing instrument to be her free act and deed
before me J. A. Gillis Justice of the Peace
Essex ss. Recd. Oct. 3. 1876. & m. before J. A. Gillis Rec. & s. by John Thom Reg

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Know all men by these Presents that I, John F. Wells of Salem, in the County of Essex and Commonwealth of Massachusetts, in consideration of one dollar and other valuable considerations paid by William F. Fischer of said Salem, the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged, do hereby give, grant, bargain, sell and convey unto the said William F. Fischer a certain lot of land situate in said Salem bounded and described as follows, viz: Beginning on Saunders street at a point fifty three feet two inches from Cross Street, thence running north-easterly fifty seven feet and two inches; thence turning and running south easterly by land now a lot of Cornelius fifty two feet and six inches; thence turning and running south westerly on Cross street fifty seven feet and nine inches to Saunders street, thence by said Saunders street fifty three feet and two inches to the point begun at, meaning hereby to convey the same premises conveyed to me by deed of Hannah B. Cornelius by deed dated October second, A.D. 1876, and recorded in the Essex (South) Registry of Deeds, Book 961, leaf 108. To have and to hold the granted premises, with all the privileges and appurtenances thereto belonging, to the said William F. Fischer and his heirs and assigns, to their own use and behoof forever. And I do hereby, for myself and my heirs, executors, and administrators, covenant with the said grantee and his heirs and assigns that I am lawfully seized in fee simple of the granted premises, that they are free from all incumbrances, that I have good right to sell and convey the same as aforesaid; and that I will and my heirs, executors, and administrators shall warrant and defend the same to the said grantee and his heirs and assigns forever against the lawful claims and demands of all persons. And for the consideration aforesaid Barbara S. Wells wife of the said John F. Wells, do hereby release unto the said grantee and his heirs and assigns all right of or interest in dower and homestead in the granted premises. In witness whereof I the said John F. Wells haveunto set my hand and seal this twenty sixth day of April in the year one thousand eight hundred and eighty six.

Signed, sealed, and delivered in presence of
 W^m M^r Hill to both.

John F. Wells
 Barbara S. Wells
 Commonwealth of Massachusetts Essex

do. April 26. 1886. Then personally appeared the above named John F. Wells and acknowledged the foregoing instrument to be his free act and deed, before me.

J. F. Wells
 W. F. Fischer.

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We, Gertrude F. Curtis, widow, of Andover, Rufus H. Knight and Mary F. Knight, his wife, in her right, both of Marblehead, Karl Fischer, being unmarried, of Swampscott, all in Essex County, Massachusetts, and William F. Fischer, of St. Johnsbury, Vermont for consideration paid, grant to Richard L. Freyman and Margaret A. Freyman, his wife, and to the survivor of them as tenants by the entirety, both of Salem, Essex County, Massachusetts with QUITCLAIM COVENANTS the land in said SALEM with the buildings thereon bounded and described as follows: Beginning on Saunders Street at a point 53 feet 2 inches from Cross Street, thence turning and running Northeasterly 57 feet 2 inches; thence turning and running Southeasterly by land now or late of Cornelius 52 feet 6 inches; thence turning and running Southwesterly by Cross Street 57 feet 9 inches to Saunders Street; thence turning and running by Saunders Street 53 feet 2 inches to the point of beginning. See deed to William F. Fischer from John F. Wells dated April 26, 1886 and recorded in the Essex South District Registry of Deeds, Book 1171, Page 288; the said Gertrude F. Curtis being the daughter of the said William F. Fischer and the said Mary F. Knight, Karl Fischer and William F. Fischer being the grandchildren of the said William F. Fischer, deceased.

Also see probate on Annie M. Fischer, deceased. Subject to the taxes for the year 1942 which are to be apportioned. I, Mary E. Fischer, wife of said William F. Fischer release to said grantees all rights of dower and homestead and other interests therein. WITNESS our hands and common seal this 14th day of May 1942.

THE COMMONWEALTH)
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Karl Fischer (seal)
Rufus H. Knight
William F. Fischer
Gertrude F. Curtis
Mary F. Knight
Mary E. Fischer

above named Karl Fischer and acknowledged the foregoing instrument to be his free act and deed, before me Esther M. Murphy Notary Public

My commission expires June 5, 1942.

Essex ss. Received May 15, 1942. 59 m. past 11 A.M. Recorded and Examined

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INVENTORY FORM B CONTINUATION SHEET

SALEM

16 CROSS STREET

MASSACHUSETTS HISTORICAL COMMISSION
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Area(s) Form No.

EI,IV SAL.2883

- Recommended for listing in the National Register of Historic Places.
If checked, you must attach a completed National Register Criteria Statement form.

ARCHITECTURAL DESCRIPTION:

Describe architectural features. Evaluate the characteristics of this building in terms of other buildings within the community.

Located at the northwest corner of Cross Street and Saunders Street, 16 Cross Street is a 2 ½-story dwelling with a cross gable plan. It rests on a brick foundation and is sheathed in wood shingles which do not appear to be original and may obscure cornerboards. The overhanging eaves end in cornice returns and are decorated by wooden brackets with pairs of brackets at the top of where there were once cornerboards. The rectangular window openings contain modern replacement 1/1 sash. The attic opening in the gable-front has a slightly curved cap. At the rear of the south elevation there is a second story, three-sided oriel window. The entry to the building is through the single-story enclosed porch at the junction of the two gables. It is also shingled with decorative brackets and rests on a brick foundation.

This house has seen only minimal alteration since its construction in the later 19th century. It is a contributing property in the Bridge Street Neck Historic District, listed on the National Register on July 19, 2002.

HISTORICAL NARRATIVE

Discuss the history of the building. Explain its associations with local (or state) history. Include uses of the building, and the role(s) the owners/occupants played within the community.

There is no building on this site at the time of the 1874 map; the vacant lot was then owned by E. Woodbury. According to City Records on October 23, 1876 John F. Wells was granted a building permit to construct this two-story, wooden dwelling with pitched roof, measuring 18' x 38', at the corner of Cross and Saunders Streets. The first directory listing found for the address indicates that John F. Wells was living here in 1878. He was a carpenter for the Eastern Railroad Car Shop. The 1880 Census shows Wells was then 42 years old, living with his wife Maria and two daughters, one of whom had measles. By 1888 the house had been purchased by William Fischer. Fischer had emigrated from Germany in the 1850s and worked as a tailor. In 1900 he was 63 years old, living with his wife Mary and two daughters, Annie and Gertrude. Fischer is still shown as the owner on the 1911 map. By 1920 the house was occupied by his widow Helen and their three children. In 1930 Helen Fischer was still living here with her sons William and Karl, both of whom worked at the lead works. The property was sold by the Fischer family in 1942. Thomas Kelly owned by the house from 1946 to 1963. It was purchased by Marie Skomurski in 1964.

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The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

STANDARD CERTIFICATE OF DEATH

SALEM 1910

(City or town.)

PLACE OF DEATH

Salem

(No. 16 Cross

St. 2 Ward)

[If death occurred in a hospital or institution, give its NAME instead of street and number.]

FULL NAME

William G. Fischer

[If married or divorced woman or widow give maiden name, also name of husband.]

RESIDENCE

Salem 16 Cross St.

Registered No. 508

PERSONAL AND STATISTICAL PARTICULARS

SEX Male	COLOR OR RACE White	SINGLE, MARRIED, WIDOWED, OR DIVORCED (Write the word) Widower
DATE OF BIRTH Oct. 5, 1835 (Month) (Day) (Year)		
AGE 74 yrs. 10 mos. 23 ds. If LESS than 1 day, ... hrs. or ... min.?		
OCCUPATION (a) Trade, profession, or particular kind of work Tailor		
(b) General nature of industry, business, or establishment in which employed (or employer)		
BIRTHPLACE (State or country) Germany		
PARENTS	NAME OF FATHER George Fischer	
	BIRTHPLACE OF FATHER (State or country) Germany	
	MAIDEN NAME OF MOTHER Friederika Mueller	
	BIRTHPLACE OF MOTHER (State or country) Germany	

MEDICAL CERTIFICATE OF DEATH

DATE OF DEATH
Aug. 28, 1910
(Month) (Day) (Year)

I HEREBY CERTIFY that I attended deceased from June, 1909, to Aug. 28, 1910, that I last saw him alive on Aug. 28, 1910, and that death occurred, on the date stated above, at ... m.

The CAUSE OF DEATH was as follows:
Prostatitis, cystitis & nephritis

(Duration) 2 yrs. ... mos. ... ds.

Contributory (Secondary) Old Age
(Duration) ... yrs. ... mos. ... ds.

(Signed) C. W. Morse, M.D.
Aug. 31, 1910 (Address) 94 Bridge

* If death followed injury or violence the certificate of death must be made out by the Medical Examiner.

LENGTH OF RESIDENCE (FOR HOSPITALS, INSTITUTIONS, TRANSIENTS, OR RECENT RESIDENTS).
At place of death ... yrs. ... mos. ... ds. In the State ... yrs. ... mos. ... ds.

Where was disease contracted, if not at place of death?
Former or usual residence.

PLACE OF BURIAL OR REMOVAL Greenlawn	DATE OF BURIAL Aug. 30, 1910
UNDERTAKER Geo. W. Full	ADDRESS Salem

THE ABOVE IS TRUE TO THE BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE
(Informant) Gertrude Fischer
(Address) 16 Cross St.

Filed Aug. 30, 1910
J. Clifford Kirtland
REGISTRAR

WRITE PLAINLY, WITH UNFADING INK - THIS IS A PERMANENT RECORD.
 N. B. - Every item of information should be carefully supplied. AGE should be stated EXACTLY. PHYSICIANS should state CAUSE OF DEATH in plain terms, so that it may be properly classified. Exact statement of OCCUPATION is very important. See instructions on back of certificate.



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UNITARIAN UNION SERVICE

Rev. Peter Goldsmith Preached Interesting Sermon on "The Racking Doubt."

NORTH CHURCH

The last of the union services for this season at the Unitarian churches, as held in the North church yesterday morning. The sermon was preached by Rev. Peter H. Goldsmith, of the First church, Boston, on the subject of "The Racking Doubt." Dr. Goldsmith took his text from Matthew 23:17. "And when they saw Him, they exclaimed, 'Blessed art thou, O Lord, who hidest these things from the wise and reveal them unto babes.'"

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was written by the orthodox, easy yond is, but we can believe that it will believers. We do not know all about be fit for God's children, and we are Thomas. No one has ever written the history of doubt. The history of religious doubt would be very interesting. In the attitude of liberal Christianity the doubters have usually been condemned.

There are those who believe that there is no need of doubt. Many people have been turned because they dared to doubt. Many have been severely punished because they were in perplexity. There has been a trail of blood all along the ages because of those who dared to doubt. Only by doubting, by questioning, may one really find the truth.

Doubt would not have been condemned so much only that there was considered an immorality in it. That was the only case that the church had for its condemnation.

Honest Racking Doubt
The honest doubt, the racking doubt, does not have more faith than in half the words. We ought to say blessed Thomas, blessed those who dared to doubt. There are two states of doubt. There is the moral state of doubt, and in it lies the will, and the other is the intellectual state that lies in the nature of the individual. If we could help or encourage that everybody else should be happy. We like to be with the majority. Doubt is characteristic of the age. There is a greater number of doubting people than ever before who dare to stand alone. Doubt is the hand-maiden of truth.

"The people of this time who doubt are among the best people of the world, people of the purest minds and lives. If there ever was humility it lies in the minds of men and women of this age who doubt. They are truth seekers and humanitarians. Such doubt is helpful. But it is helpful only when it strikes the age. If there is any light, it is only when men wring their hands. The harm is not in the doubt, but that people should remain in the doubt.

Many people who have attained freedom of thinking have stopped. They are like those who have been in the woods and have felled the trees and do not think to uproot the stumps, but away the underbrush, till the soil or erect new buildings in which all may enter, and may see farther that they will build still more.

Beautiful Structures.
What we need is to come out of our doubts to pass beyond it, to come into security.

"Thought as to the existence, the nature of God whether or not He communicates with us, doubt of the moral character, doubt whether He cares for us of this planet, and concern as to what shall happen to us next year, are materials for doubt.

"How shall we face our doubts? There are three kinds of things: Those which we know, which we shall doubt, and which we shall never know. The first are the things that are truly necessary, and those we doubt and shall never know are not necessary. There is proof present everywhere that goodness is best. We need squarely to reject much. What is called doubt is oftentimes uncertainty. Why should we care to disturb ourselves about many things of no account to us? What we want are the essentials. There are some doubts that we will have to settle by acknowledging that they can not be demonstrated. How can we demonstrate life? How can we prove God? Men have tried, and have failed. God can not be demonstrated, but He can be experienced.
"We can not tell what the life be-

NEW BILL AT THE THEATRE COMIQUE

The new pictures that the Theatre Comique management will offer for the first three days of the week will be enough varied to please all the patrons. The headline picture entitled, "Old Glory," is a pictorial war drama, and one of the best things that has ever been shown before the public. The other pictures that complete the bill are also very good. Among these are "Nellie's farm," "Aldertown with a new ending," "When we were in our teens," "Ancient mariner," and "Ave of hearts."

In the musical portion of the program, Mr. Grant will sing a catchy ballad entitled, "You look just like the girl I used to go to school with," while Miss Tebette will render a pleasing song entitled, "Twinkle little star."

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VETERAN TAILOR ANSWERS CALL

William F. Fischer, Fought for His Country in the War of the Rebellion.

DEATHS, FUNERALS, VIEWS ON SCHOOLS

William F. Fischer, known to at least three generations of Salemites as the Essex street tailor, died at his home, 16 Cross street, yesterday at the age of 74 years, after a long illness, during which he was a great sufferer. He had conducted a merchant tailor shop on Essex street for over 40 years, and retired from business not over six months ago. He was born in Stuttgart, Wurtemberg, Oct. 5, 1835. Just three months to a day before his death his beloved wife was buried.

Mr. Fischer was a veteran of the Civil war, having been enrolled as a member of Company F, 2d Massachusetts regiment, "Whipple's Masses," Oct. 1, 1861, was promoted to corporal in January, 1864, and was discharged at the expiration of the regiment's term of service, in October, 1865. He served with honor, and took part in all of the battles of the regiment. At the battle of Cold Harbor, he escaped unhurt, excepting that the flat side of a spent piece of shell made a black and blue spot on the small of his back. He was found afterwards, that night, in a hole made in his shelter. Seven in his woolen and two in his rubber blanket, the several folds thus conspiring to magnify the effects of three bullets, says the history of the regiment. He was also a member of Fraternity lodge, I. O. O. F., of Hawthorne council, R. A. and of Company F, 2d Regiment association.

He leaves two daughters, Miss Gertrude and Miss Annie, M. Fischer, and three grandchildren.
Mrs. Joseph R. Towle.
Mrs. Nellie N., wife of Joseph R. Towle, formerly of Salem, died at her home in Lowell, Saturday. Mr. and Mrs. Towle left Salem about 14 years ago, and had lived in Lowell ever since. Mrs. Towle was a member of Kenozo lodge, D. of P. of Salem. The funeral will be held from her late home Monday at 2 P. M., and the burial will be at Hampton, N. H.

Mrs. Phoebe C. Holbrook.
In the death of Mrs. Phoebe C. Holbrook who passed away Monday last, there is removed from our midst one who will be greatly missed, not only from the home where she was the centre of every loving thought and care, but also by the many friends who have grown accustomed to look for her familiar face at the window and receive her pleasant smile and kindly wave of the hand in way of greeting as they passed her door from day to day.

Although kept in by her infirmities she nevertheless remained cheerful and bright, retaining always her keen sense of humor and interest in all things, ever welcoming in her own gentle manner all those who came to see her.

Though gone from our sight yet her memory will still live. A friend.
Salem, Aug. 28.

Mrs. Mary Emmerton.
Mrs. Mary Emmerton of this city died at the Beverly hospital last night after a short illness. She was taken seriously ill while stopping with her niece, Mrs. Mary E. Nevins of Salem, at her cottage in Hamilton, and was taken to the hospital. Mrs. Emmerton was widow of Lemuel W. Emmerton of Baltimore, but had lived in this city since the death of her husband. She leaves beside her niece in this city, a sister in Atlanta Georgia, and two sisters in Detroit, Michigan. The late Elizabeth A. Leavitt of Salem was her sister. The funeral will be held at 17 Prescott street, Salem, Wednesday at 2 o'clock.

Mrs. Mary Hart.
Mrs. Mary Hart, widow of James Hart, died at the home of her daughter, Mrs. John J. Hart, of South street, at 11 o'clock, Monday, at her 80th year and beloved and respected by all who knew her. The funeral was held at St. James church this morning.

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eastern corner of the Veranda next year. The condition of the bungalow and its accommodations next year the Ward Three residents feel that their playground will be as good as the best in the city, if not better. All are quite proud of it, even now and will be more so when it is entirely finished and in operation next year.

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DEATHS, FUNERALS, VIEWS ON SCHOOLS

At all the masses yesterday, Rev. Fr. Murphy, pastor of the Immaculate Conception church, spoke on the question of Catholic education, the occasion being the announcement of the opening of St. Mary's school, Sept. 13. He strongly urged all his parishioners to send their children to the parochial schools and claimed that on all secular subjects taught in the public schools the teaching at St. Mary's is superior. On the question of religious and moral training he said there could be no comparison made, because the public schools do not profess to teach any form of religious belief. And as the character of the citizen is determined more by his moral and religious education than by his intellectual training, the clergyman forcibly insisted that people should send their children to a school which attached equal importance to both.

In proof of his sincerity, the pastor invited the boy graduates from all the public schools in his parish, as well as the graduates of St. Mary's, to a four-year course at St. John's college, Danvers, at his expense.

Fr. Murphy spoke energetically against children going to the Salem High school, because he considered the period of a boy's life, between 15 and 19 years, the most exposed to danger, and he is therefore willing to undergo the expense of sending them to a religious school. The pastor stated also that, instead of this offer being a favor to the parents of children, he would consider the acceptance of it a favor to him.

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Men's Russia and Gun Metal Oxfords, \$4. **\$2.45**
Men's Russia and Gun Metal Oxfords, \$5. **\$2.95**
Ladies' White Canvas Oxfords, **95c and \$1.25**
Ladies' Russia Pumps, "La France" \$4. **\$1.95**
Ladies' Gun Metal Patent Colt Oxfords and Pumps, \$3 and \$3.50. **\$1.95**
Ladies' Gun Metal Patent Colt Oxfords and Pumps, \$4. **\$2.25**
Miscellaneous Children's White Canvas Oxfords and Pumps, **75c and \$5c**
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Mechanics Fair Will Close After a Successful Week.

LOCAL LINES

Nov. 21—Although there was a large crowd at the Mechanic's Fair yesterday, the weather was good and many sales made. The fair will close this afternoon. The rifle range will be closed last evening, and the game will be closed by Richard M. Cook and T. J. Tucker are tied for first place.

There is building a new house at the Neck. The Junior Drum corps, headquarters at the corner of Union and

has closed his store and has removed to street.

will be held at the National Tuesday next.

club of the University had made plans for a ball game to be held in the vestry. An orchestra will be present last evening, and the game of Salem will present the second night.

election of officers of the association will be held this afternoon in the Episcopalian Church.

service will be held in St. Andrew's on the morning of the 22nd, which all of the parishes are invited to attend.

The service will consist of morning prayer, a sermon by the rector, and the holy communion at 10.30. The holy communion will be celebrated at the same hour. 9 o'clock. Rev. William Partington will read the eucharist at 8. Morning prayer at 10.30. Evening prayer at 7.

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Danvers, Nov. 21—Danvers High beat Woburn High at football on the Danvers ground yesterday, 45 to 0. At Woburn, in the season, Woburn won 6 to 0, but Danvers had a weaker team and the players were not in good condition. Woburn is the only eleven that has beaten Danvers High this season.

There was nothing to it but Danvers yesterday, the visitors failing to show any real football ability except for a few minutes in the second half, when they made their distance. The only time in the game Danvers rushed them at will the greater part of the time and did not once lose the ball on downs. Capt. Haynes and J. Kerans made several of their famous runs, Haynes reeling off nearly 60 yards for a touchdown. C. Kerans made two fine quarterback runs and Pitman did good line bucking. Great tackles were made by Poor, Cronin and others. All the local players did stiff work and each contributed much to the big score.

New football, so-called, was not played to any extent. Woburn tried the forward pass a few times, but made it illegally in two instances.

Woodman made a pretty play when Danvers blocked a punt and he captured the ball and put it over the line.

Lineup and summary—Danvers high—Woodman le, Perkins lt, and Cook R, Leary rd lg, Perley c, Hart rg, Cronin rt, Poor re, C. Kerans qb, J. Kerans lb, Capt. Haynes rfb, Pitman fb.

Woburn high—Duncan le, O'Brien lt, Carroll lg, Portal c, Sleeper rg, Burke rt, Hubbard re, Trull qb, West lb, Bean rfb, O'Connor fb.

Score—Danvers high 45, Woburn high 0. Touchdowns—J. Kerans 4, Haynes 3, Woodman. Goals from touchdowns—J. Kerans 5. Referee and umpire—Ferguson of Danvers, Mobbs of Winchester. Linesmen—Martin and McCarthy. Field judge—Stone of Kansas City. Timers—Lord and Dean. Time—20 and 15m halves.

Free Lesson Appreciated. A goodly number of bright children gathered at the Coots school of elocution, to attend the free lesson to children given there yesterday afternoon.

Breathing, vocal and physical culture exercises were participated in by all the little ones, while Helen Pierce, Florence Standing, Sallie Phillips, Doris Giles and others gave recitations. All seemed to thoroughly enjoy the hour thus spent and displayed considerable aptitude along these lines.

The class will begin a course of 12 lessons next Friday at 4 P. M. Further particulars may be learned by inquiring at the school.

Here and There Club. The Here and There Social club held an old fashioned quilting bee at the home of Etta S. Gannon, 26

before closing the office to enable the city clerk to verify the names on the lists and find a sufficient number of legal voters.

The day the city officials visited Foxboro insane hospital, Supt. Tracey of the Salem almshouse was asked by Mrs. Neff, wife of the superintendent, if he could tell what to do for her horse, which had "gone lame," and which she had sought to cure in various ways as advised by veterinarians and blacksmiths without avail. Mr. Tracey examined the horse's foot and found a small corn there and gave directions for treatment. A letter received by one of the party on the trip states that the horse is "all well."

Precinct officers who served at the recent state election will be paid Monday.

Petitions have been filed from every ward in the city asking that the question of adoption of the primary election plan be placed on the ballots for the forthcoming city election.

A marriage license was issued yesterday to Abel Madore, 24 Gardner street, and Antoniette Damon, 12 Naumkeag street.

RECENT DEATHS AND FUNERALS

George Francis Fischer died at his home, 28 1/2 Gardner street, this morning, after a brief illness. He suffered from severe headaches the last two weeks, but Thursday afternoon while in the cars coming from Boston he was stricken with a severe shock, and on arrival at Salem was taken immediately to his home. He was unable to rally, and he passed away at 1 o'clock this morning.

Mr. Fischer was born in Salem, Nov. 14, 1868, and was the son of Mr. and Mrs. William F. Fischer, his father being the well known tailor. The son was educated in the Salem public schools, graduating from the High School. For over 30 years he had been employed in the sales department of the National Lead company of Boston, and was a trustworthy man in every way. He was greatly esteemed, had hosts of friends, and was devoted to his home. He was a member of Hathorne council, Royal Arcanum. He leaves a widow, three children, father, mother and two sisters, the last named being Misses Gertrude and Annie M. Fischer, all of Salem.

Mrs. Mary Abble Dayton. The funeral of Mrs. Mary Abble Dayton was held at her late home, 15 1/2 Williams street, yesterday afternoon. Many friends attended. Rev. C. R. Crossett of the Adventist Christian church officiated, and there were beautiful floral tributes. The burial was in Harmony Grove cemetery.

Mrs. Lizzie L. Eldredge. Funeral services over the remains of Mrs. Lizzie L. Eldredge, who died in Orleans, last Wednesday, were held in Blake Memorial chapel, yesterday afternoon. Rev. Charles H. Ruffer, D. D., officiated, and many friends attended. The burial was in Harmony Grove cemetery by Undertaker Full.

Bartholomew Whelton. Bartholomew Whelton died at his home, Basford's court, Peabody, yesterday afternoon after a short illness. He was a morocco dresser by trade. He leaves a widow and two sons.

Now and Then Whist. Mrs. Taylor, Mrs. Merritt and Mrs. Poole, in charge of three of the tables at the coming Now and Then association fair, the Toot-Moy, will give a public whist party at Now and Then hall, Monday evening, when good prizes will be offered.

Father Mathew Election. The Father Mathew T. A. society will hold an important

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