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49 Summer Street

Built by,

JOHN S. EDWARDS, housewright

in 1846

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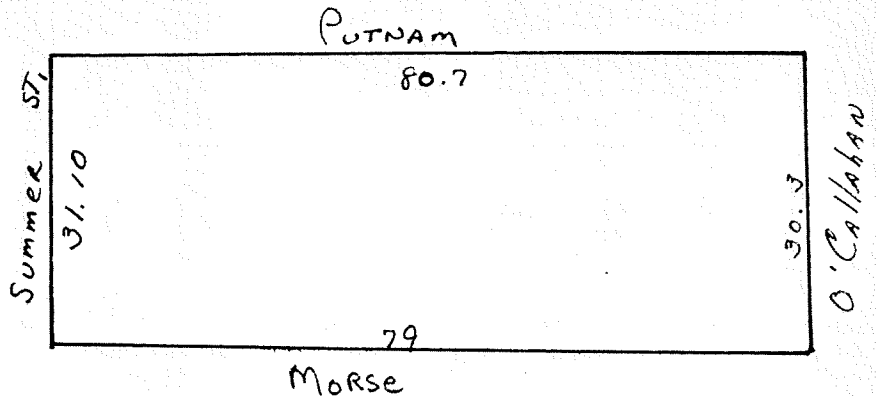
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and to work for the education of the community
in the true value of the same."*

49 Summer Street

Book 6446 page 691
Feb. 27, 1978
\$39,000

Kalliope Yfantopulos sold the land and building
at 49 Summer St. to Gary A. and Barbara C.
Wuertz:



Book 6446 page 690
Feb. 27, 1978
\$28,840

Spiros and Patricia Flomp sold the property to
Kalliope Yfantopulos.

Book 6203 page 234
Dec. 9, 1975

Grace M. Stocker (widow) sold the land and
building to Spiros and Patricia Flomp.

Book 2951 page 196
May 9, 1933
Under \$100

Charles H. and Caroline L. Merrill sold the
same to Clarence L. and Grace M. Stocker.

Book 2876 page 496
March 31, 1931

Francis Merrick sold 49 Summer St. to Charles H.
and Caroline L. Merrill.

Book 2876 page 496
March 31, 1933

Charles H. and Caroline L. Merrill sold the same
to Francis Merrick (of Beverly).

Book 2504 page 263
Jan. 25, 1922

Martha A. Merrill sold to Charles H. Merrill, of
Salem. Under the terms of the mortgage with the
Salem Five and subject to a life estate.

Book 1798 page 349
Oct. 30, 1905
\$1,800

E. W. Merrill and Mary J. Merrill mortgaged to
the Salem Five Cents Savings Bank.

Book 1698 page 191
Feb. 18, 1903
\$900 and subject to
mortgage

E. W. Merrill sold the property to Mary J. Merrill
(widow). The same as described in mortgage book
1486 page 175 to S. Rea and Charles F. Currenan
(trustees)

Book 1486 page 174
July 29, 1896
\$2,900 plus taxes

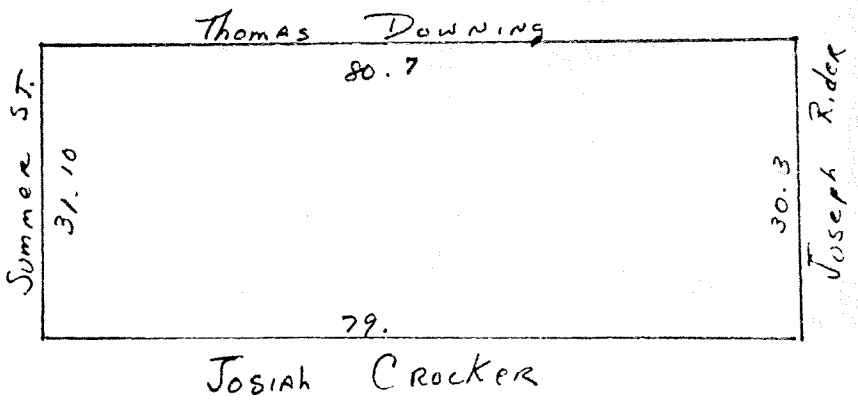
Charles C. and Eliza M. Williams sold the property
to Edward W. Merrill.

Book 1486 page 173
July 15, 1896

John S. Edwards estate (John L. Stanley of
Gloucester, trustee) sold the house and land to
Charles and Eliza M. Williams. Sold at public
auction for \$2,800 after the death of Charlotte S.
Edwards (widow). Appraised value of house and
land was \$4,000.

Book 365 page 130
March 28, 1846
\$500

Henry G. Derby, tailor, sold the land to John S.
Edwards, housewright.



The whole as now fenced in.

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Information from probate records:

John S. Edwards, master builder, died March 3, 1888. Probate docket #66126.

Real estate in his possession:

House at 49 Summer St.	\$4,000
House at 22 High St.	4,000
1 undivided half of 18 Prescott St.	1,100
1 undivided half of 20 Prescott St.	<u>1,100</u>
	10,200

Personal estate:

Various bonds and shares of stock, carriages, harnesses, sleigh, brackets, ladders and tools. \$4,294.07

From his will: (written Jan. 24, 1888)

"All my furniture, beds, bedding, clothing, linen, silverware, watch, clocks, stores and fuel in my dwelling house to her" (his wife).
 "Meaning hereby all the personal property in said dwelling house, excepting bonds, stocks, bankbooks and money."

Information from Essex Institute Library:

City maps:

- 1911 - Martha Merrill at 49 Summer St.
- 1897 - J.S. Edwards Estate "
- 1874 - J.S. Edwards "

Directory:

- 1851 - #47 Summer St. Downing (dry goods)
- 49 " " J.S. Edwards (carpenter)
- 51 " " Mrs. Morse

No pictures available of #49 Summer St.
 House was given a preservation rating of "two".

Information from Joyce King:

John S. Edwards was born April 20, 1808. Married 1832 to Charlotte Somes of Gloucester.

March 1, 1846 - March 1, 1847 building permit
Curbstones laid in 1847
Value \$1,500

Census:

1850

John S. Edwards	age 41	carpenter	born Mass.
Charlotte "	" 31		" "

1880

John S. Edwards	age 70	carpenter	born Mass.
Charlotte "	" 68	keeps house	" "
Lucy Wallace	" 57	servant	" "

1900

Edward Merrill	born	June 1864,	single, head of house,	born Maine
Mary J.	" "	Feb. 1823,	widow, mother, had 7 children,	5 living
			born Mass.	
Martha A.	" "	Jan. 1848,	widow, aunt, had 2 children,	none living,
			born Mass.	
Walter	" "	Sept. 1851,	brother, single,	born Mass.

