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391 Essex Street
Grocery Store of
STEPHEN FOGG
Built in 1826

391½ Essex Street
Built for
STEPHEN FOGG, trader
in the year 1840

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

391-391½ Essex Street

This ell-shaped, two-story, brick building was built by Stephen Fogg on a lot of land where an ancient house formerly stood. Mr. Fogg purchased this lot by three deeds; the first in 1815 from John Hale, the second in 1818 from Peter Webster, and the third in 1826 from James Odell. It was after the final purchase that Mr. Fogg took down the old dwelling house and store and erected the present brick store in 1826.

The street on which Mr. Fogg chose to build his store was called a street as early as 1659; ye great street leading through the town, 1713; the main street, 1722; and Essex Street, 1796. (Essex Antiquarian, vol. 5 page 33)

Stephen Fogg was born March 10, 1783 in Meredith, N.H. Mr. Fogg came to Salem in 1804, and on May 5, 1811 married Mrs. Lucinda (Goldthwait) Dodge, widow of Ezra Dodge. At the time of this marriage Mrs. Dodge had a 7 year old daughter named, Lucinda. The children of Stephen and Lucinda were: Sarah, Stephen, Susan, Joel, Francis, William, Ezra and Ellen.

The Salem tax records for the period before and after the building of the new store indicate 1826 as the correct date of construction by the increase in value:

Stephen Fogg	
1824 house and shop	value \$ 900
1825 house and shop	" \$1,000
1826 house and shop	" 1,000
1827 house and stores	" 1,500
1828 house and stores	" 1,500

The first mention of the brick dwelling house appears in the 1840 Salem street books at the Essex Institute. "James Stone began to lay edge stones in front of Mr. Stephen Fogg's new brick house on the south side of Essex St. Said new house is next west of his brick store on the corner of Essex and Flint St. and is joined to said store." 53 feet 9 inches of straight stones were used, furnished by Jacob Galucia.

Although Stephen Fogg is credited with the building of the dwelling house at 391½ Essex Street, the records indicate that Mr. Fogg never occupied this house. Mr. Fogg's step-daughter Lucinda and her husband Brackley Peabody were the first to live in this house, as shown in the Salem directories.

The first Salem directory printed was for the year 1836. In it Francis Fogg is listed as a grocer at 391 Essex St.; 391½ does not appear. The next directory was not printed until 1842, Francis Fogg is still a grocer at 391 and 391½ appears for the first time, with Brackley Peabody as its occupant.

Biographical Dictionary, 5th ed., pp. 91, 1904; *Encyclopedia Britannica*, 11th ed., vol. 5, p. 526, vol. 20, p. 957; *The Connoisseur* for July, 1935.]

215. BRACKLEY ROSE PEABODY, 1798-1874. Miniature by unknown artist. Measurements, $2\frac{3}{4}$ in. x 3 in. Seated position, three-quarters facing right, eyes front. Dark hair, side whiskers. Black stock, dark gray coat, black silk, low-cut waistcoat, gold shirt-stud. Chair seen over right shoulder. Lavender background.

Gift, unknown source.

Brackley Rose Peabody, master mariner, was born in Salem, August 17, 1798, the son of Ezra and Christiana (Rose) Peabody. He entered on a seafaring life when very young, shipping from Salem during the war of 1812 on the privateer *Surprise* of Baltimore. At the age of twenty-three he sailed on the first voyage of Joseph Peabody's famous brig *Leander* and soon after entered the employ of Pickman, Silsbee and Stone, who were engaged in the Sumatra pepper trade. Captain Peabody commanded the vessels *Borneo*, *Exchange*, *Madagascar* and others and in 1846 was master and part owner of the 110 ton brig *Eagle*. During the gold craze of 1849 he joined a company of five men, all old ship masters, who purchased the ship *Elizabeth*, loaded her with an assorted cargo and sailed for San Francisco on April 19. After various vicissitudes the *Elizabeth* was sold and Captain Peabody returned home via the Isthmus of Panama. A year later he sailed again for San Francisco, this time in command of the bark *Cleora* of Salem. Captain Peabody retired from the sea in 1856 and became a member of the Salem City government, serving as Alderman and Overseer of the Poor. He joined the Salem East India Marine Society in May, 1842, and the Salem Marine Society on August 9, 1850. On June 1, 1850, he married, in Salem, Lucinda Dodge, born June 21, 1804, the daughter of Ezra and Lucinda (Goldthwaite) Dodge. They lived on Eliot Street, where Captain Peabody

February 28, 1874. Mrs. Peabody passed away June 30, 1885. [See *Essex County Probate Records*, Docket 49416; *Salem City Hall Records*, vol. 15, pp. 2, 146; *Salem Ship Registers* (printed), p. 44; *Salem Directories*, 1874, 1884; *Essex Inst. Hist. Colls.*, vol. 40, p. 68; Peabody, *Peabody Genealogy*, pp. 93, 192; *Salem Vit. Rec.* (printed), vol. 2, p. 144, vol. 4, pp. 164, 271; *Salem Register*, Issue of March 2, 1874; Putnam, *Salem Vessels and Their Voyages*, vol. 1, pp. 114, 158, vol. 3, pp. 97, 106; *History of Salem East India Marine Society*, p. 64; *Laws of the Salem Marine Society*, ed. of 1914, p. 150; *Peabody Museum Records*, furnished by George L. Peabody.]

PEABODY, ELIZABETH PUTNAM, see Rogers, Elizabeth Putnam (Peabody).

216. FRANCIS PEABODY, 1801-1867. Oil by Frances Chamberlain, copied in 1914 after a portrait painted in 1869 by Richard Morrell Staigg, after the death of Colonel Peabody. Canvas, $35\frac{3}{4}$ in. x $24\frac{1}{2}$ in. Head and shoulders, almost full face. High collar, black stock, dark coat, left arm resting on arm of red upholstered chair. Medium brown background.

Gift of Harold Peabody, 1934.

Francis Peabody was born in Salem, December 7, 1801, the son of Joseph Peabody, one of the most eminent merchants of his time, and his wife, Elizabeth (Smith) Peabody, daughter of the Rev. Elias Smith of Middleton. Francis Peabody's education was gained at Dummer Academy and at a private school at Brighton. At the completion of these courses he made a voyage to Russia in the ship *Augustus*, owned by his father. His health, which had hitherto been delicate, was greatly benefited by this trip and his extensive travels into the interior of the country. Upon his return to Salem he entered with great zeal into a study of the useful arts and sciences, lecturing before the Essex Lodge of Free Masons and the Salem Charitable Mechanic Association, of which he

The Peabody family is entered in the 1850 federal census as:

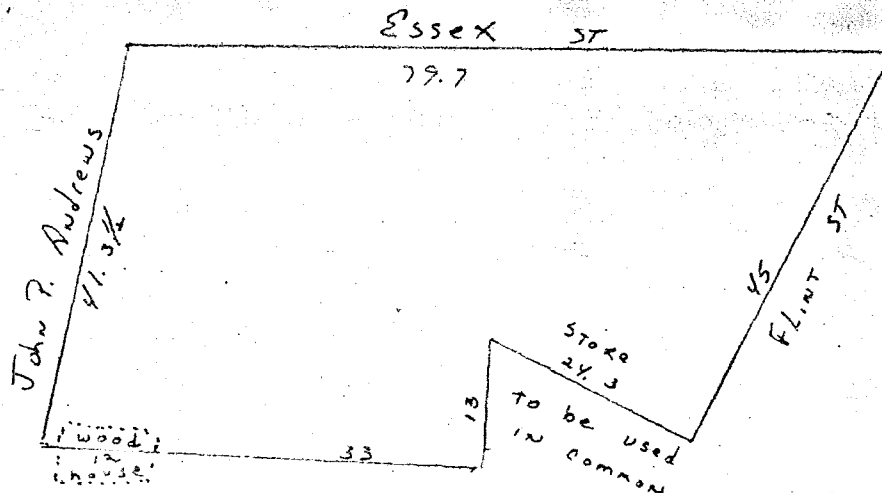
Brackley R. Peabody	age 52	master mariner	born Mass.
Lucinda	" 46	"	" "
George	" 19	"	" "

The tax records indicate a change in the following years:

1857 - 391 store	Hiram Carter	owner	Stephen Fogg
391½	Brackley Peabody	"	"
1858 - 391 store	Chandler and Haskell	owner	Stephen Fogg
391½	Brackley R. Peabody	"	"
1859 - 391	Chandler and Haskell	owner	Stephen Fogg
391½	Brackley Peabody	"	"

Stephen Fogg died April 25, 1859. In his will he bequeathed \$100 to be paid to his wife at the time of his death, also "the dwelling house Flint St. which I now occupy and furniture, the south part of the barn connected with my dwelling house, and also during the lifetime of my wife the right of way on the north side of the dwelling house to be used in common with the other land on Essex St." To his friend William Goodhue enough to provide an annual income of \$100 to the widow. William Goodhue was also authorized to sell all real estate except "my dwelling house given to my wife". To Lucinda Peabody daughter of my wife \$1,000 to be paid in one year after his death and \$2,000 after the death of his wife. To his children; Sarah A. Hathaway, Susan G. Benson, Joel G. Fogg, Francis Fogg, Ezra Fogg, and Ellen M. Fogg 1/7 each from the sale of the real estate. To Brackley Peabody 1/7 for the benefit of "my son William". William Goodhue was appointed executor (Probate #39201)

On June 28, 1859 William Goodhue executor of the will of Stephen Fogg, late of Salem, empowered to sell real estate, sold to Lucinda Peabody, wife of Brackley, the land and late dwelling house and store and north ½ of woodhouse, for \$4,200. Also with the rights to use in common with the owner of the land of the deceased adjoining that hereby conveyed strip of land. This property was then mortgaged to the Fogg estate for \$4,200. (book 592 page 43)



Apparently, after the death of Mr. Fogg the Peabodys moved into the house on Flint St. where they remained until thier deaths.

During Mr. Peabody's ownership the listings for the Essex St. property is as follows:

391		391½
1861 vacant store		Henry P. Ives
1864 grocery store		Henry Ives
1866 grocery - Sheridan		Mrs. George S. Spence
1868 grocer - Ham & Hobbs		Mrs. George S. Spence
		Andrew Ward
		George Spence

In 1870 a federal census gives a clearer picture of the occupants of 391½ Essex:

Abigail Spence	age 51	keeps house	born Mass.
George "	" 20	machinist appr.	" Maine
Abba W. "	" 5	in school	" Mass
F. Arthur "	" 5	in school	" "
Andrew Ward	" 22	clerk in store	" "
Ellen Neville	" 28	domestic servant	" Ire.

In 1873 a new occupant appears at 391½ Essex St. Mr. Oliver Way and family. Mr. Way's place of business is listed as 43 South St., Boston. The store at 391 remained Ham & Hobbs.

In 1874 Captain Peabody died at his home on Flint St. after a painful illness. He was in his 76th year and was a shipmaster of the old school. He was also an Alderman in 1858. (Salem Gazette)

The census of 1880 shows residing at 391½ Essex St.:

Oliver Way	age 40	hide and leather dealer,	born in Main
Lucy E. "	" 38		" Mass
Louise L.	" 9	has measles	" "
Bridget Dempsey	" 27	servant	" Ire.

About this same time the store's name was changed to Ham and Friend, under the management of Henry C. Ham and Joel M. Friend.

922 SALEM ADVERTISING DEPARTMENT.

HAM & FRIEND.



Dealers in

Fine Groceries.

All goods of

BEST QUALITY & LOWEST PRICES

391 ESSEX ST., SALEM

HENRY E. HAM: J. MURRAY FRIEND.

On June 13, 1885 Lucinda (Fogg) Peabody died. In her will written in 1878 she left all her real estate and personal estate to Anna Peabody, wife of her son George, of N.Y. "If Anna is deceased leaving her surviving husband my son George, then I give all my real estate to William Northey to hold in trust for my son, but no part is to be paid to any creditor of George." The estate left by Lucinda included:

house 2 Flint St.	
house 391½ Essex St.	\$4,800 both houses
brick store	2,800
house 18 Northey St.	800

(Probate 62317)

In 1885 Ham & Friend are still at 391 and at 391½ is a new tenant Mr. Charles R. Frye, a clerk at the general ticket office of the Eastern Railroad.

Mrs. Sarah E. Maloon, widow of William, is the next tenant as shown in the 1890 directory. In 1894 the dwelling house at 391½ is vacant, Ham & Friend has a stock valued at \$500 and has obtained two horses. 1897 the dwelling house is still vacant. 1898 brings new occupants, William L. Vinal, a clerk at 64 Federal St., Boston and Marianna Caldwell, widow of David A. These tenants are replaced by Charles Dodge, sub-master of the High School and his family in 1900.

The grocery store changed hands in 1907, the new proprietors were Blood and Bailey.

BLOOD & BAILEY

Successors to Ham & Friend

GROCCERS

And special dealers in Teas, Coffees and Produce.

391 ESSEX STREET, SALEM, MASS.

Telephone

In 1909 the grocery store is listed in the name L.A. Blood.

On March 12, 1916 Anna G. Peabody, widow of George L., died at her home on Flint St. In her will written Nov. 1914 she leaves to:

- George Benton, of Weymouth \$5,000
- Ernest W. Fogg, Elgin, Ill., nephew of my late husband, \$1,000
- Marilla Goldthwait, of Salem \$350
- Emily and Nathalie, daughters of my dec. brother William P. Grovesteen \$50 each
- Lucy Coffin, of Newburyport, daughter of Mrs. Charles Tuttle \$50
- Benjamin Nason my husband's books and a picture of his father's vessel "Borneo" I give to the Essex Institute

The rest to my executor to sell and the proceeds to my brother James Grovesteen of LA., Calif. If living and to my sister Bessie Duston, of N.Y., N.Y., Harriet Ives and Willard Simpson.

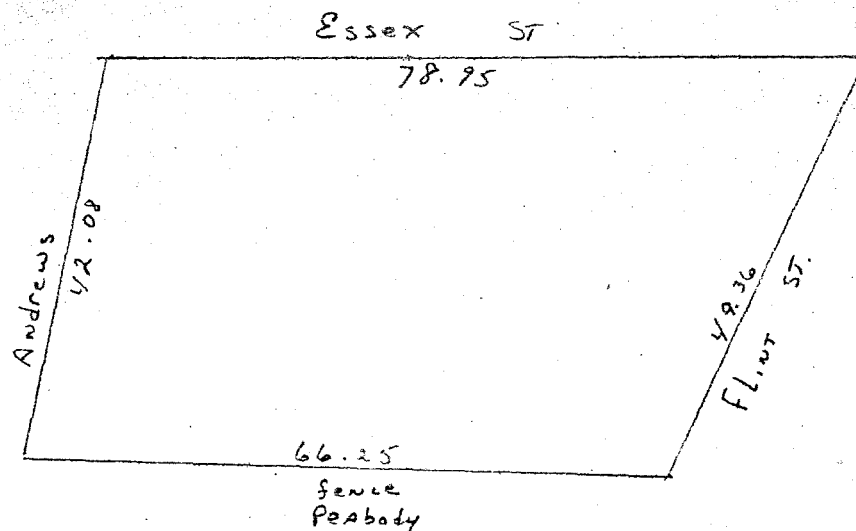
Real estate
 #25 Flint St. \$3,700
 Store 391 Essex and dwelling house 391½ Essex St. \$5,000

On June 20, 1916 Benjamin F. Nason, of Salem, executor of the last will of Anna G. Peabody, proved April 1916, sold the property to Ellen F. Blood, wife of Louis A. Blood. The same as on the accompanying plan. Subject to taxes of the year 1916. Ellen F. and Louis Blood mortgaged the property for \$5,000. (book 2335 page 1) (see next page for plan)

Mr. Blood moved into the dwelling house soon after purchasing the property, and remained there until his death. The grocery store was given up in 1943, when for the first time 391 Essex St. was occupied by Eaton Drug Store and is still its occupant 36 years later.

Ellen F. Blood died Aug. 5, 1940 leaving all her jewelry to her daughter Gertrude. "If my husband Louis A. Blood, survives me I give to him all real estate at 391 and 391½ Essex St., but in trust. If my husband not survive me the real estate shall pass outright to Gertrude B. Kent."

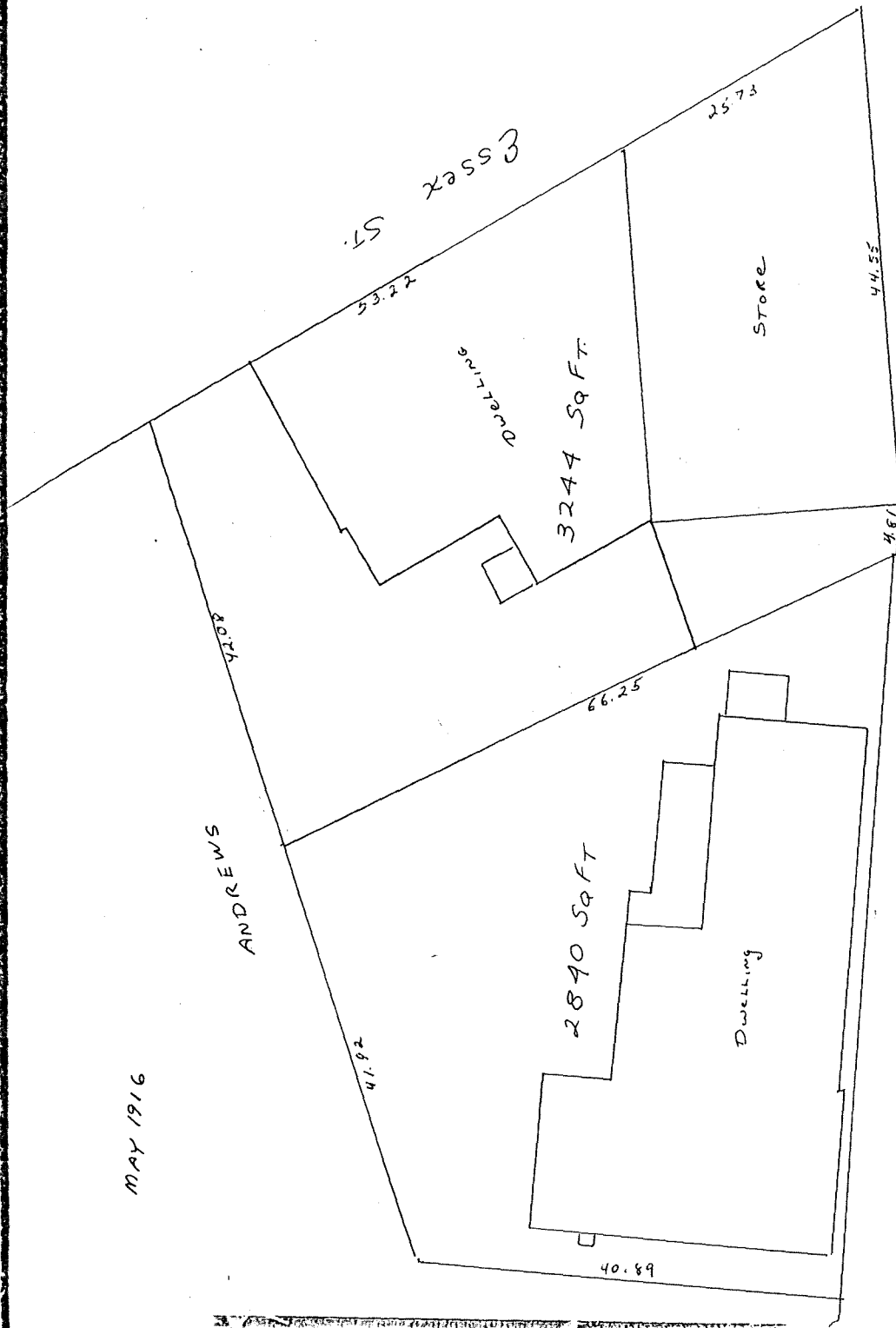
Gertrude B. Kent, of Salem, gave up ownership on April 20, 1979 when she sold the property to Herbert B. Weston and Borromeo A. Dube, as joint tenants of 291 Andover St., Danvers. The same estate on Plan of Peabody Estate book 2335 page 1, see also the estate of Ellen F. Blood #197405. (book 6583 page 610)



All reference to book and page are deed books found at the Registry of Deeds, probate numbers are found in Probate Court, both offices located in the same building on Federal St., Salem.

All maps are not meant to be exact, just for illustration purposes.

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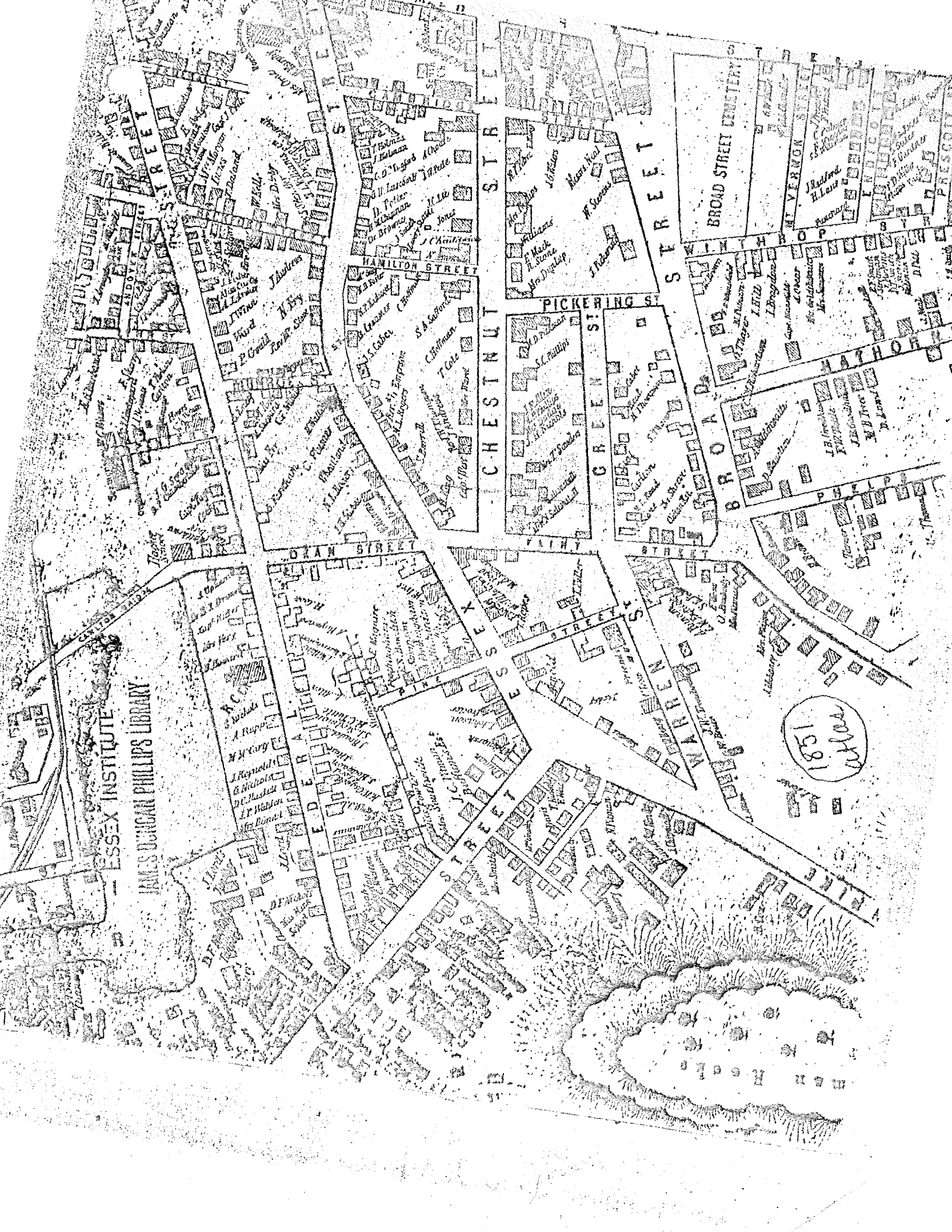
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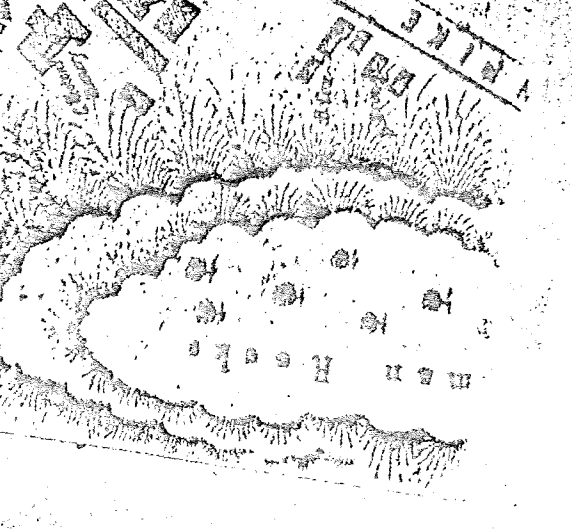
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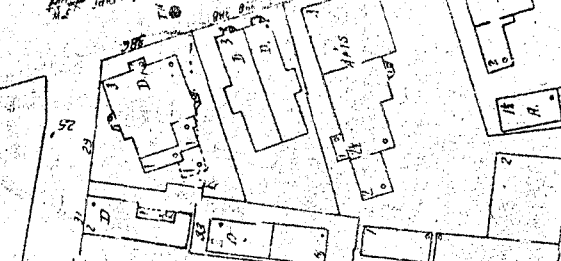
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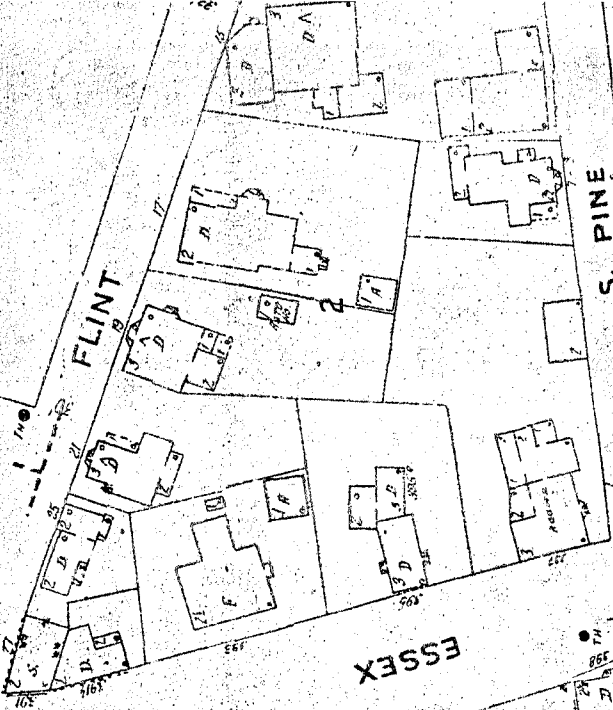
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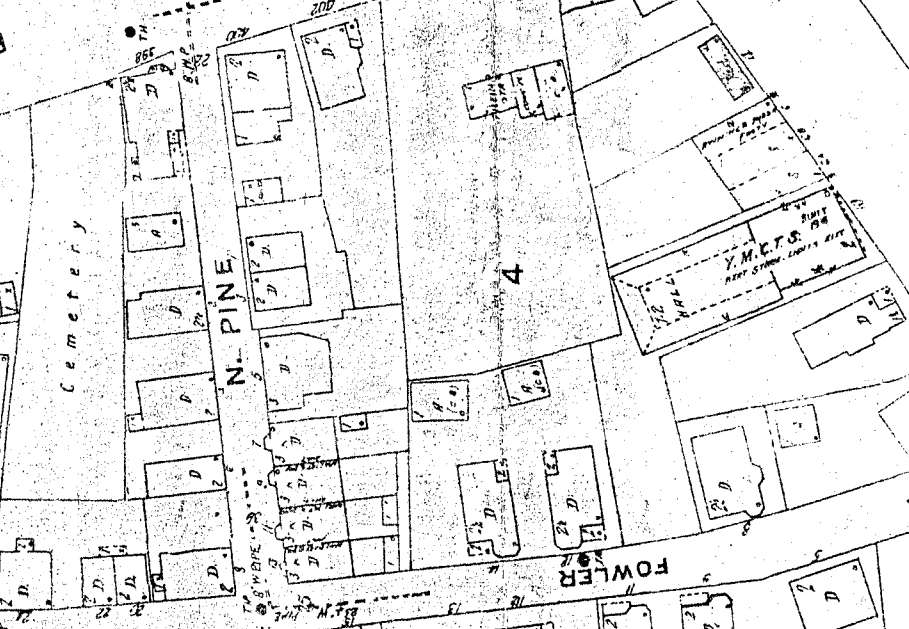


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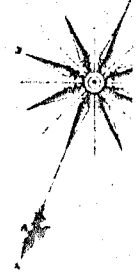
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others of the heirs, conveyed it to John Looney of Salem July 11, 1864.*

So John Looney owned the eastern half, and William Looney the western half of the house when it was burned between two and three o'clock on the afternoon of Sept. 16, 1865. William Looney and his son-in-law Coakley were then living in his part, and the other half was occupied by the widow Wood and a Mr. Redmond and family. The walls, being lined with brick, remained standing until the following spring. The engraving of the house herewith given has been copied from the drawing made of it by John Robinson March 1, 1866, representing it as it appeared just before the fire.

Edward Flint and Thomas Flint Lots and David Flint House. These three lots were generally known, in the last quarter of the seventeenth century as Goldthwaite's and Putnam's lots. Thomas James of Salem, husbandman, owned one acre of this land, adjoining "to goodman Adams land near the brick kiln," in 1652, when he conveyed it to William Flint; Henry Kenney of Salem, husbandman, owned three acres of the southwestern end of the Edward Flint and Thomas Flint lots, with a dwelling house thereon, Feb. 28, 1659, when he conveyed the estate to William Flint of Salem,§ who already owned the remainder of the lots and the David Flint lot. William Flint died 2:2:1673, possessed of the lots, having devised them in his will to his sons Edward and Thomas. Dec. 3, 1694, they divided the premises, the Thomas Flint lot being assigned to Thomas, and the others to Edward Flint.¶ Thomas Flint owned his lot until his decease, about 1719. Edward died possessed of his lot in 1711, having devised to his son David the lot "where his house stands." David was married in January, 1700, and he probably built his house on this corner about that time. He was a fellmonger, and died in

*Essex Registry of Deeds, book 671, leaf 102.
†Essex Registry of Deeds, book 1, leaf 14.
§Essex Registry of Deeds, book 1, leaf 86.
¶Essex Registry of Deeds, book 10, leaf 50.

1736, possessed of the estate. His executors conveyed the western half of the "mansion house" and lot to James Odell of Salem, shoteman, July 9, 1739.* Mr. Odell died, and the estate descended to his son James, who conveyed it to Stephen Fogg of Salem, trader, June 21, 1826.†

The eastern half of the house and lot were conveyed by the executors of David Flint to Thomas Metcalf of Salem, fisherman, the deceased's son-in-law, June 15, 1739.‡ Mr. Metcalf died in 1749, and after the decease of his widow Ruth, in 1766, it descended to their only son Joseph. July 27, 1786, Joseph Metcalf conveyed his part of the house and lot to Jeduthun Upton of Salem, merchant.¶ Mr. Upton conveyed one-half of his interest to Dudley Porter, jr., of Haverhill, merchant, Jan. 24, 1807.† Mr. Upton and Mr. Porter conveyed their part of the house and lot to John and Nathaniel Sleeper, both of Salem, laborers, June 25, 1807.¶ The Sleepers conveyed the estate to Peter E. Webster and John Hale, both of Salem, traders, July 26, 1815,** and Mr. Hale conveyed his interest in the property to Stephen Fogg Aug. 28, 1815.†† Mr. Webster released his interest to Mr. Fogg Jan. 12, 1818.‡‡

Thus Mr. Fogg came into possession of the entire house and lot. The ancient house had been occupied as a dwelling and a grocery, the business having been carried on from about 1806 to about 1810 by the Sleepers, who owned the eastern part. They did a large business in West India and other foreign goods. Crowds of teams came to this store from New Hampshire and Vermont with country produce, which they exchanged for other commodities.

*Essex Registry of Deeds, book 79, leaf 75.
†Essex Registry of Deeds, book 241, leaf 301.
§Essex Registry of Deeds, book 34, leaf 192.
¶Essex Registry of Deeds, book 145, leaf 240.
‡Essex Registry of Deeds, book 181, leaf 41.
¶Essex Registry of Deeds, book 181, leaf 295.
**Essex Registry of Deeds, book 208, leaf 94.
††Essex Registry of Deeds, book 208, leaf 119.
‡‡Essex Registry of Deeds, book 215, leaf 273.

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Mr. Fogg took the old house down in 1826, and erected the present brick store, adding the residence portion fourteen years later. He continued the trade many years, and died April 25, 1859.*

BADCOCK FAMILY.

This name was sometimes spelled *Babcock* in early Essex county records, and is now generally so spelled.

WILLIAM BADCOCK¹ lived in Beverly in 1723, 1724, 1725 and 1730, bought a house and land in Manchester in 1724, and subsequently removed thither. He was a husbandman; and married Miriam

- 3—II. MOLLY², m. ——— Morse before 1766.
- 4—III. SARAH², m. James Patch of Beverly (pub. April 17, 1743); and was living in 1766.
- 5—IV. MIRIAM², m. Benjamin Hilton Jan. —, 1737-8.
- 6—V. JOHN². See below (6).
- 7—VI. WILLIAM², b. Feb. 27, 1723-4, in Beverly. See below (7).
- 8—VII. ELIZABETH², m. William Morse of Beverly May 16, 1756.
- 9—VIII. ANNE², m. ——— Williams before 1766.

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JOHN BADCOCK², lived in Manchester. He married Jane Morse of Beverly Feb. 28, 1750-1. Administration was granted on his estate Jan. 25, 1762; and his wife survived him, marrying, secondly, Benjamin



RESIDENCE OF GEORGE L. PEABODY.

(Pears?) in or before 1723. He was adjudicated *non compos mentis* in 1764, and died in 1766; administration being granted on his estate April 8, 1766.

Children:—

- 2—1. HANNAH², m. Jonathan Roberts of Beverly (pub. Oct. 27, 1734); and was living in 1766.

*The extreme southern end of this lot, marked "David Flint" on the map, was owned by John Kimball, in 1807, when he built a house upon it. He conveyed it the next year to Nathaniel Osgood; and in 1818 Mr. Osgood sold it to Stephen Fogg. On the lot adjoining this house on the south was a store built by Stephen Thayer, the owner of the land, in 1808. He conveyed it to William Wait Oliver the next year; and Mr. Oliver carried on his salt trade here until 1821,

- Orsmont of Manchester March 11, 1762.
- Children born in Manchester:—
- 10—I. JOSEPH², b. April 13, 1751. See below (10).
- 11—II. JOHN², b. Oct. 17, 1752. See below (11).
- 12—III. NICHOLAS², b. Dec. 30, 1754; m. Lydia Andrews of Manchester Jan. 18, 1776.
- 13—IV. JANE², b. June 7, 1757; m. John Dow of Manchester Dec. 29, 1785.

when he sold the store and lot to Stephen Fogg. Mr. Fogg moved the store about two feet, annexing it to his house, in which he resided. The engraving shows the house with the store part attached (being the end having the gable toward the street). After Mr. Fogg's death in 1859, the place came into the possession of George L. Peabody, who resides there. This house is on Flint street, directly opposite the head of Chestnut street.

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