

Thirty Five Daniels Street

This house was built in 1807 for Mrs Sarah Silsbee, widow of Capt Nathaniel Silsbee, by her three sons Nathaniel, William, and Zachariah.

The land on which the house stands was owned by Samuel Foot in 1700; it remained in the possession of his heirs until 16 Jan 1796 when, for \$280, Mrs Eunice (Foot) Stanwood, then of Yarmouth, Nova Scotia, granted to Capt Nathaniel Silsbee (1773-1850), Salem mariner, a piece of land (no buildings) bounded westerly three poles and six links (about 53' 6") on Daniels Street, and running back about 135' (161:75). Perhaps Capt Silsbee used it as a "garden spot" for growing vegetables; his mansion house stood immediately to the north, the present 27 Daniels Street.

His widowed mother was born Sarah Becket on 15 Feb 1750, eighth child of John Becket, Salem shipwright, and his wife Rebecca (Beadle); in 1772 she married Capt Nathaniel Silsbee (1748-91), a Salem sea captain, and they had eight children between 1773-89, of whom four survived to maturity. As a young shipmaster in the West Indies trade, Capt Silsbee had been a favorite of his employer, merchant prince Elias Hasket Derby. He soon amassed a fortune, and retired from the sea to become a shipowner and merchant. In 1783 he had 27 Daniels Street built as his residence; however, over the next few years his fortunes fell, and in 1788 and 1789 he lost possession of the house. Capt Silsbee died on a voyage to New York on 25 July 1791; he left his wife Sarah (Sally) and four children, Nathaniel, Sarah, William, and Zachariah Fowle.

Nathaniel Jr (1773-1850) distinguished himself as a mariner at a very young age. He too became a Derby favorite, and in the summer of 1794 was able to repurchase his father's house (158:159, 159). As has been stated, he bought the garden spot to the south on 16 Jan 1796 (161:75). It remained a vegetable patch for eleven years more, during which time his mother rented half of the house of one Benjamin Hawkes.

That changed in 1807, when the three Silsbee brothers caused this house to be built for their mother Sarah and for their sister Mrs Sarah Wellman. On 25 Nov 1807 Capt Silsbee granted the "garden spot" lot, bounded 53' on Daniels Street and running back about 90', to his mother and sister's use for the rest of their lives; on the same day, the three Silsbee brothers granted to their mother and sister "the two-story dwelling house and out houses" that had been built on the land, also for the terms of their lives (183:218, 218). Here Mrs Silsbee lived until 30 Ap 1832, the day of her death. On 15 Jan 1833 her middle son William died, and at that time the surviving brothers, with the consent of their sister Sarah Wellman, decided to sell the house and land. This they did on 9 June 1833, for \$1200, to Caleb M Ames of Salem (270:208).

For the subsequent descent of the premises, the reader is referred to the appended skeletal chain.

Robert Booth
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Notes:

Capt Nathaniel Silsbee (1773-1850) became a U. S. Senator; more information about him and the Silsbee family may be found in the report on the history of 27 Daniels Street, on file at the Essex Institute and the Historic Salem Inc office.

A figure such as (123:45) refers to So. Essex County Registry of Deeds book 123, leaf or page 45; a figure such as (#12345) refers to So. Essex County Probate docket #12345.

When William Silsbee died on 15 Jan 1833, his 1/3 of his mother's house was valued at \$233 (#25324).

Salem valuation records show that up to 1807 Capt Nathaniel Silsbee was taxed for part of Benjamin Hawkes' house, worth \$500, for his mother; in 1807 he was first assessed for "A House for his mother," worth \$1200.

<u>Date of Purchase</u>	<u>Grantee</u>	<u>Grantor</u>	<u>Deed Found</u>
② September 14, 1853	John Bertram	Cotton L. Pratt (Sea Captain)	Book 486 Page 67
③ January 5, 1854	Cornelius Haggerty	John Bertram	Book 488 Page 200
④ November 3, 1855	Robert Wiggin	Cornelius Haggerty	Book 521 Page 229
① August 28, 1849	Caleb Ames (a trader) Ames sold to Pratt and back	Cotton Pratt	Book 416 Page 76

Nathaniel Silsbee and others	Book 270 Page 208
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Nathaniel Silsbee and
Zachariah Silsbee for
themselves as executors of the
will of William Silsbee for
\$1200 sold the 2 story dwelling
house and outhouses to Caleb
Ames. The house was given to them
(Nathaniel, William and Zachariah)
Nathaniel gave it to his mother
Sarah and Sister Sarah by deeds
dated

November 25, 1807

Mother Sarah and
Sarah WellmanNathaniel Silsbee
(Merchant)Book 183
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gave for one dollar
the land, not the house
the mother got the
house. On her death
it went to the sister.

August 27, 1794

Nathaniel Silsbee

John Collins

Book 158

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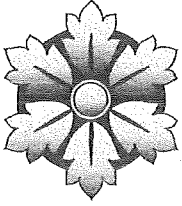
<u>Date of Purchase</u>	<u>Grantee</u>	<u>Grantor</u>	<u>Deed Found</u>
	(John Condon to Margaret in 1897) (Mary Durgin to John Condon in 1876) when Mary Durgin lived there (around 1874) the house was #25		
	George Wheatland (Trustee)	Horace C. Burnham and Clara	Book 811 Page 16
⑧ November 12, 1870	Clara Spiller paid income to Mary Durgin, Spiller owned the house from 1851-1870		
⑥ August 5, 1859	Daniel Potter (Deputy Sheriff) under James Carey (Sheriff) writ of execution by Harriet M. Chipman against John Sanderson for \$84.72 damage seized all owned by John Sanderson as of July 23, 1859 including mortgaged real estate at #25 Daniels Street conveyed to John W. Sanderson by Robert P. Wiggin Posted the 8th day of August in the Salem Gazette		Book 643 Page 122 Book 534 Page 132
⑦ September 10, 1859	Clara W. Spiller for \$20 purchased the (Public Auction) right in equity which Sanderson had of redeeming the mortgage Sanderson to Wiggin		
⑤ June 27, 1856	John Sanderson	Robert P. Wiggin (Merchant from Boston)	Book 534 Page 133

Research on 35 L iels Street

<u>Date of Purchase</u>	<u>Grantee</u>	<u>Grantor</u>	<u>Deed Found</u>
(15) January 14, 1977	Peter Hackmeister	Donald Koleman John Dineen Koleman Realty Trust	Book 6316 Page 631
(14) July 15, 1969	Koleman and Dineen	Mary Szostek	Book 5622 Page 600
(13) April 12, 1922	Mr. and Mrs. Adam Szostek	Dennis J. Heffernan (Executor of will of Margaret T. Heffernan	Book 2512 Page 350
(12) November 12, 1919	Margaret Heffernan	Mortgagee's Sale Patrick F. Tiernay, Trustee, to Henry Wardwell, trustee under will of Serena Ayer dated June 16, 1898 (Book 1549, Page 192) Foreclosing Mortgage Sold at Public Auction on Tuesday, November 11, 1919 Sold subject to all unpaid taxes to Augusta Pruss of Lynn	Book 2431 Page 51
(11) June 16, 1897		Patrick F. Tierney Trustee of Mary Condon's deed from Margaret Condon Allowed Edmund Heffernan to live there (#35)	Book 1517 Page 34
(10) March 18, 1886	John Condon - Margaret-Mary	P.F. Tiernay to Mary Condon (John's wife)	Book 1169 Page 46
(9) June 6, 1876	Margaret Condon Mary Durgin	Mary Durgin John Condon	Book 955 Page 217



1874
 100' = 1" originally



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TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

We have researched the property belonging to William C. Sano at 35 Daniels Street, Salem, Massachusetts. Please be advised that this home is not listed in any historic register. The plaque on the front of the house merely states that it was built in 1807 by Nathaniel Silsbee, given to his widowed mother Sarah Silsbee and sister in that year. This is a service provided by Historic Salem Inc. for a small fee.

The house does NOT lie within any of the five historic districts in Salem, and there are no restrictions on what the homeowner may do with the property.

For any other questions, please contact me at info@historicsalem.org or 978-745-0799.

Sincerely yours,

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