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19 Fowler Street

built for  
James C. Stimpson  
Tanner  
circa 1850

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19 FOWLER STREET  
BUILT FOR JAMES C. STIMPSON, TANNER  
CIRCA 1850

NOTE-

The land beneath No. 19 Fowler Street was conveyed by Anthony Needham of Salem, yeoman to Edward Flint on March 10, 1678-9 (Essex Registry of Deeds Book 5, Page 25). Upon Flint's death in 1711, this portion of his land passed to his daughter Hannah Orange, who sold it as part of a  $3\frac{3}{4}$  -acre lot (bounded on the northwest by the North River, northeast by the "Lane," southeast by land of Henry Williams and others, and southwest by land of the Buffums) to Thomas Blaney on August 4, 1740 (Book 80, Page 101). Thomas died in the winter of 1766-7; his widow Alice conveyed the land on March 1, 1770, as part of a lot (stretching east and then southeast, along the northeast side of the Friends Burial Ground to Essex Street) to Edmund Needham (Book 136, Page 160), who sold it back to Alice Blaney on December 28, 1778 (Book 136, Page 198). Sometime between 1779 and 1784 (see Book 143, Page 108), the land beneath Number 19 Fowler Street was conveyed to Capt. Samuel Williams, whose father Capt. Henry Williams had co-owned a fishing schooner with Thomas Blaney, and had in 1739 bought the adjacent land to the southeast (presently bisected by North Pine Street, along the southwest side of the Friends Burial Ground) from Timothy Pickering, son of John Pickering (Book 76, Page 53). Samuel Williams died in the winter of 1813-14, and his property was sold by third child and administrator Israel Williams to William Wait Oliver, merchant, on November 9, 1814 (Book 205, Page 18). Mr. Oliver mortgaged the estate to widow Elizabeth King on September 23, 1839; she assigned the mortgage to the Naumkeag Bank on July 1, 1845 (Book 355, Page 230), who had obtained judgement and taken execution against Mr. Oliver on April 9, 1844 (Executions, Book 8, Page 274).

DATE- July 5, 1845

CONSIDERATION- \$4017

GRANTORS- President, Directors and Company of the Naumkeag Bank in Salem, by J. G. Sprague, their lawful attorney

GRANTEES- Nathaniel Frothingham, Jr. and James C. Stimpson, both of Salem

DESCRIPTION- "...a certain parcel of land situate on Essex street in said Salem and bounded as follows viz. Southerly on Essex street about ninety-three feet, Westerly on land of Fowler & others, Easterly on land of Cowan & of the Friends' Society, Northerly on land of Huse, Tuttle & others."

PREVIOUS REFERENCE- "... being the same estate bought by Wm. W. Oliver of Israel Williams Admr. Nov. 9, 1814, with all the buildings thereon except such as may belong to John Ward ..."

NOTE- Nathaniel Frothingham, Jr. was born in Salem, August 5, 1796, of Nathaniel and Hannah (Lynde) Frothingham. A tinsmith by trade, he entered into partnership with tanner James C. Stimpson, born in Salem on July 9, 1799, son of Thaddeus and Hannah (Cook) Stimpson. Frothingham died on November 20, 1867; Stimpson died September 11, 1883.

The Salem Evening News (Sept. 11, 1883) provides this obituary for Stimpson:  
"James C. Stimpson, a well-known citizen and resident of Salem, died early this morning at his home on Warren street, at 84 years. He had at one time one of the largest tanning and currying establishments in the county, if not in the state. Of late years he has not been engaged in active business, owing to advancing years. His establishment, when in business, was on Boston street, opposite the head of Federal street. The deceased was a public-spirited man, and was always willing to do all in

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his power to advance the interests of the city. He was an upright and conscientious citizen, and his demise will be regretted by a large number of friends and acquaintances. As a member of the common council in 1839-'40-'43-'44-'45, and in the board of aldermen in 1847, Mr. Stimpson faithfully worked for the welfare of the city."

After buying the above property (spanning North Pine Street and underlying what is now No. 19 Fowler Street), Frothingham and Stimpson constructed at least four houses along North Pine Street and the house at No. 19 Fowler Street. Confusingly, Fowler Street is not listed in the tax records until 1853, though the 1851 Map of Salem names Fowler Street and shows the house at No. 19 Fowler Street to be already existing. Possibly it is the "New House tax[ed] to Frothingham & Stimpson" at the end of the first "North Pine Street" page in the 1850 Tax Records, which may be the house occupied by James B. Stimpson (son of James C. Stimson and his first wife, Hannah Smothers) from 1850 through 1852. We do know that it was occupied by George W. Field, shoemaker, from 1853 through 1855.

Frothingham & Stimpson's houses are taxed as a group to the firm until 1854, when the buildings are "divided and taxed to the separate names"; and the house in question is specified in the records for the first time: No. "18" Fowler St., taxed to James C. Stimpson, and appraised at \$1400 (from 1854 through 1869, the house is called Number 18; it is called No. 17 in 1870, and changed to No. 19 in 1871). In addition to George Field, the 1854 Tax Assessors' Book lists John Shaw and Ora H. Willard at No. "18" Fowler St., though these two appear in the next house southwest in 1855.

In the 1855 Tax Records, tenant George Field is joined by David Fleming; in 1856 the house is vacant; in 1857 it is occupied by William Henry Wheeler, coachman, and by Wheeler's father-in-law, Jeremiah L. Ford, laborer, the new owner of No. "18" Fowler Street.

DATE- October 13, 1856

CONSIDERATION- \$1600

GRANTOR- James C. Stimpson [and Mary, his wife,] of Salem

GRANTEE- Jeremiah L. Ford of Salem

DESCRIPTION- " ... a certain parcel of real estate situated on Fowler street so called in said Salem bounded and described as follows, Beginning on said street at a fence dividing said Estate from land of John Shaw, thence running [sic; should read "bounded"] southeasterly by said street about forty-eight feet six inches to land of William McKeen, thence northeasterly by Estate of said McKeen about forty-nine feet ten inches, thence northwesterly by land of Tuttle about fifty-seven feet nine inches to land of Shaw: thence southwesterly by land of Shaw about fifty-five feet eight inches to the point of starting, together with the buildings thereon standing ..."

PREVIOUS REFERENCE- None

NOTE- Jeremiah L. Ford, mason and laborer, was born of Thomas and Alice Ford on May 5, 1800, in Nottingham, New Hampshire. He married Mary Williston of Salem on his twenty-fifth birthday, May 5, 1825. Children included Alice Ann (b. 1825; married Jeremiah Mahoney); Mary (b. 1828; married Victor DeBaker); Sarah (married William H. Wheeler); Jeremiah L. Ford, Jr. (b. 1833); John Francis Ford (b. 1836); Charles Thomas Ford (b. 1841); Samuel Augustus Ford (b. 1845); and Eliza A. Ford (b. 1848).  
Jeremiah L. Ford, Sr. died October 22, 1859; the funeral was held on October 25 at his house, No. 18 (now No. 19) Fowler Street.  
His children inherited the property, occupied primarily by the three older sons: Jeremiah L. Ford, Jr. (1858-'59, 1861), John F. Ford (1858-'60, 1862-'67), and Charles T. Ford (1860, 1867-'68).

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Jeremiah L. Ford, Jr., currier, married Mary McClellan and died September 24, 1907. The Salem Evening News (Sept. 25, 1907) gives this obituary:

"Jeremiah L. Ford died at his home, Front street, Peabody, yesterday. He was a veteran of the Civil war, serving as a member of Company E, 48th Massachusetts regiment. He was a member of Post 34, G.A.R. He leaves a son."

John F. Ford, morocco dresser, died November 16, 1920; his obituary in the Salem Evening News that day is lengthy, but perhaps worth reproducing in full:

"Lieut. John F. Ford, gallant veteran of the Civil war, died at his home, 27 Appleton street, this forenoon in his 85th year, after a short illness. He had been in failing health for some time, but was taken seriously ill last Saturday.

"Mr. Ford was born in Salem, Aug. 7, 1836. He attended the public schools, among others being the old Hacker school.

"Leaving school he entered the employ of Charles Weston to learn the morocco dressers' trade and remained there for six years, serving his apprenticeship and learning the trade. From there he went to E. B. Arnold, where he was also employed at morocco dressing.

"He left there shortly before the war broke out and when the call to arms came in 1861 he was foreman of Frank Upham's place on Foster street, Peabody.

"He came to Salem and enlisted in Co. A of the Fifth Mass. Infantry (Salem Mechanic Light Infantry) for three months, and was mustered into the United States service as a private May 1, 1861, and served until the company was discharged, expiration of its term of enlistment, July 31, 1861, being present with the regiment and his company at the first battle of Bull Run.

"Returning home he re-entered the employ of E. B. Arnold and on and off worked for that man 16 years as a morocco dresser, before and after the war.

"On July 14, 1862, his love for military duty again got the better of him and he reported to the recruiting camp at Wenham where he was

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employed as a drill sergeant. He later on, Sept. 19, 1862, enlisted in Co. E, 48th Mass. Infantry for nine months and was at once made a sergeant and continued as drill sergeant at the camp at Wenham, and later at Readville.

"He went with his regiment to the Department of the Gulf, and on May 9, 1863, was commissioned second lieutenant and assigned to Co. E, and later on July 24, 1863, was promoted to first lieutenant of the same company.

"On May 27 he was one of those who participated in the forlorn hope, who went forward to try and fill up the trenches in front of the rebel works at Port Hudson with bundles of wood, so that the troops which followed could get across.

"This forlorn hope was a failure and most of the men were either killed or wounded. Lieut. Ford was one of those who went the nearest to the rebel works and when the recall sounded, he and the others jumped up and started for the rear, expecting a shower of bullets. Instead they received cheers from the Johnnies.

"Later, it was learned that Gen. Gardner, in command of the rebel line there, ordered his men not to fire, for he said they were too brave a set of men to be shot down in that manner.

"Lieut. Ford served his time with the 48th and was discharged as first lieutenant Sept. 3, 1863, the regiment having been kept in the service much longer than its original enlistment. He was offered a commission in a colored regiment, but declined to accept it.

"Returning home he again entered the employ of E. B. Arnold and remained at work at his trade as morocco dresser with various firms until the trade was killed in this vicinity by the great strike.

"Some 21 years ago he entered the employ of the city in the public property department and has remained there ever since, being employed about Greenlawn cemetery.

"On Jan. 1, 1857, he married Harriet N. Wheeler of Salem and four children resulted from the union, of whom the following are living: Miss Alice T. Ford and Mrs. William Smith of Salem, and Mrs. Charles Thrasher of Marblehead. His first wife died in 1886 and on Oct. 30, 1889, he was married to Emma Raynor of Philadelphia, Pa.

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"Lieut. Ford was a member of the Niagara council, O.U.A.M., and of Phil Sheridan, post 34, G.A.R., in which organization he acted as color bearer for nearly 20 years and he carried one of the colors on Memorial day for 15 years without a break. He also attended many of the national encampments in the same position."

Charles T. Ford, superintendent, died January 3, 1914; his obituary appears in the Salem Evening News (Jan. 14, 1914):

"Charles T. Ford, a veteran of the Civil war, died at his home, 4 Plymouth street, last night, after a long illness, in his 72d year. Mr. Ford was a native of Salem and was one of four brothers who served their country in the Civil war -- John F., Jeremiah, [Samuel] Augustus and Charles T. Ford. ...

"Charles T. Ford enlisted in Salem, Friday, Dec. 6, 1861, for three years, and on the following Sunday went into camp in Boston. The next day he and other soldiers were transported south for active service. He was assigned to Company D, 24th Massachusetts Infantry, and was with the Burnside expedition during its campaign in North Carolina. After two years's service with the Northern army, Mr. Ford suffered a shock, and was honorably discharged for disability. He never fully recovered, but up to a few years ago, was able to be about the streets.

"He was a member of Post 34, G.A.R. He leaves a widow, two sons, Arthur F. and Charles N. Ford of Salem, a daughter, Mrs. L. B. Tibbetts of Lynn, and five grandchildren."

Besides Charles T. Ford, the Tax Assessors' Book shows additional tenants at "18" Fowler Street in 1868: William R. Porter and William Theodore Porter.

In 1868, the Ford children sold their share of the inheritance of 19 Fowler Street to their youngest brother, Samuel Augustus Ford. He is shown at No. "18" Fowler Street in 1869 with tenants James Austin, Samuel Swasey, and John N. Swasey, and at No. "17" Fowler Street in 1870 with tenants Jerry B. Thurber and Harry B. Sander.



DATE- July 23, 1868

CONSIDERATION- \$2000

GRANTORS- Jeremiah L. Ford, John Francis Ford, Charles T. Ford, Victor F. DeBaker, and Mary M. DeBaker in her own right, Eliza A. Ford, Jeremiah Mahoney, William H. Wheeler, Ella Mahoney, Alice M. Hathorne and Mary E. Campbell, all of Salem

GRANTEE- Samuel A. Ford of Salem

DESCRIPTION- Same as above

PREVIOUS REFERENCE- "... meaning thereby to convey to said Samuel A. Ford all the right, title and interest which we the said grantors inherited from Jeremiah L. Ford late of Salem ..."

Note- Samuel A. Ford, youngest of Jeremiah L. Ford's sons, died February 11, 1910. His obituary appears in that day's Salem Evening News:  
"Samuel A. Ford, assistant janitor of the new High school, and for many years janitor of the old High school, died at his home, 84 Highland avenue, this morning, of typhoid pneumonia. He was about 64 years of age, and he was one of four brothers who served their country in the Civil war. He shipped in the United States navy Aug. 14, 1862, and was discharged May 11, 1863. ...  
"Mr. Ford joined Post 34, G.A.R., May 17, 1870, and he ever maintained a deep interest in the soldier.  
"While janitor in the High school Mr. Ford, by persistent effort, secured pictures of all but one of the school boys who responded to the call for troops in 1861. The pictures have been placed in a large frame, which now hangs in the school room, while a record of each soldier boy has also been obtained. This was a most important piece of work and is a testimonial to Mr. Ford's devotion to his fellow soldiers.  
"Mr. Ford was well versed in the history of Salem, and, as a reliable guide, he conducted large parties of visitors to the historic spots of Salem. Mr. Ford was held in the highest regard by all the boys and

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BOOK 809 PAGE 145

DATE- October 20, 1870

CONSIDERATION- \$1 and other valuable considerations

GRANTORS- Ella Mahoney, Eliza A. Ford, Mary L. Ford, Harriet N. Ford wife of John F. Ford, Mary Ann Ford wife of Jeremiah L. Ford and Aria Ford wife of Charles T. Ford, all of Salem

GRANTEE- Samuel A. Ford

DESCRIPTION- Same as above

PREVIOUS REFERENCE- "Being the same premises described in a deed from Jeremiah L. Ford and others to said Samuel A. Ford ... Book 752 Leaf 149 and which deed being signed by the said Ella Mahoney and Eliza A. Ford, this conveyance is intended to ... confirm on their part and which deed having been signed by John F. Ford, Jeremiah L. Ford and Charles T. Ford, their wives join herein to release any claim they may have to dower in said premises."

BOOK 809 PAGE 146

DATE- October 20, 1870

CONSIDERATION- \$15

GRANTOR- "William H. Wheeler of Salem ... Guardian of William C. Wheeler, Victor F. Wheeler and Sarah A. Wheeler, minor children of William H. Wheeler ... empowered to sell ... Deeds to convey certain real estate of the said minors ..."

GRANTEE- Samuel A. Ford

DESCRIPTION- Same as above

PREVIOUS REFERENCE- None

DATE- October 27, 1870

CONSIDERATION- \$2500

GRANTOR- Samuel A. Ford [and Lydia M. Ford, his wife]

GRANTEE- John Sheridan

DESCRIPTION- Same as above

PREVIOUS REFERENCE- None

NOTE- John Sheridan, born c. 1826 of Philip and Bridget Sheridan, married Sarah Kenney. He died on February 6, 1897; Salem Evening News provides the following obituary:  
"John Sheridan, one of the best known Catholic residents of the city, died today at his residence, 19 Fowler street, aged about 75 years.  
"Deceased was born in Ireland, and came to this country nearly half a century ago, several brothers, among whom is Philip Sheridan of Sheridan & Duignan, also settling in Salem. A boot and shoe maker by trade, he worked many years for the old time firm Bosson & Glover, Lafayette street, later engaging in the business on his own account.  
"For many years he was a prominent and active member of the American Hibernian Benevolent Association, now defunct, the recognized leading Irish society in this vicinity during its existence.  
"An accident in early youth caused a permanent lameness, obliging him to use two canes while walking.  
"Highly esteemed and respected, Mr. Sheridan will be missed by a large circle of friends and acquaintances."

The Directories and Tax Assessors' Books show 19 Fowler Street housing John Sheridan, shoemaker and owner, from 1871 until his death in 1897; John F. Sheridan, shoemaker, from 1891 (aged 19) until 1905; Miss Elizabeth L. Sheridan, dressmaker, from 1906 through 1914, and in 1921 before removing to Boston in 1922; and Mrs. Sarah J. Sheridan, widow of John, in 1913.

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Tenants of 19 Fowler Street between 1871 and 1890 are George B. Stone (1871), William Buster (1872-'73), James Gannon (1874), Maurice Shean (1875), Thomas Shean (1875-'77), Nicholas Murphy (1878), John O'Leary (1878-'79), Maurice Caple (1880), Michael Gill, currier, and Michael Gill, laborer (1881), Mrs. Bridget Kenney (1882-'83), Patrick Hurley, James Heuye, Philip Ryan, John Roache, Hugh McCauley, Thomas Ready, Henry Harding, James Neale, and Cornelius Lundergren (all 1885), James A. Hoey [Heuye] and Alexander Gannon, curriers (1886), Mrs. Margaret Herlihy (1886-'87), Allen Doyle, Michael Reddy, Martin Walsh, curriers, and James Queenan, morocco dresser, and Thomas Heever, teamster (all 1887), Allen and James McDougall, curriers (1888).

BOOK 1298 PAGE 49

DATE- December 5, 1890

CONSIDERATION- \$1

GRANTOR- Alice M. Hathorne of Barre, Worcester County, Massachusetts

GRANTEE- John Sheridan of Salem

DESCRIPTION- "... a certain parcel of land with all the buildings thereon situated in said Salem and bounded, beginning on Fowler street at a fence dividing said estate from land of John Shaw formerly, now of Higgins, thence running northeasterly by said street about forty-eight feet six inches to land of William McKeon, formerly, now of Kerrens, thence northwesterly by said last-named land about forty-nine feet ten inches, thence southwesterly by land of Tuttle about fifty-seven feet and nine inches, thence southeasterly by land of Higgins about fifty-five feet and eight inches to the point of beginning."

PREVIOUS REFERENCE- Book 752, Leaf 149, and Book 809, Leaf 147, "hereby conveying to said Sheridan all the title intended to be conveyed by said deed to Ford above mentioned."

NOTE-

Alice M. Hathorne was the daughter of Alice M. Ford and Jeremiah Mahoney; she married William H. Hathorne, merchant, who died in 1886, aged 42.

John Sheridan and his wife Sarah J. Sheridan mortgaged the property to Charles H. Allen, trustee under the will of Thomas M. Saunders, on December 19, 1890, for \$600 (Book 1298, Page 50). Charles H. Allen died and was succeeded by George H. Allen, who assigned the mortgage to Elizabeth L. Sheridan on August 17, 1900, for \$600 (Book 1618, Page 150). On June 24, 1924, Elizabeth L. Sheridan foreclosed on the mortgage (Book 2602, Page 440).

In addition to the Sheridans, tenants of 19 Fowler Street between 1890 and 1924 are John Mulligan, shoemaker (1890-'91), John F. Sheridan, shoemaker (1891-1905), Michael S. Lundergren, mason (1892), Andrew Kinsella, morocco dresser, and John H. Kinsella, currier (both 1893-'96), Patrick Crowley, currier, and James F. Crowley, buffer (both 1896-'98), Michael Furey (1899-1900), Jacob Jarnes, junk dealer (1900), James J. Queenan (again), morocco dresser (1901-'07), Nora A. Fennell, widow of John M. Fennell, and P. Frank Fennell, clerk and laborer (both 1907-'10), Leonard M. Cross, brakeman (1911-'12), Patrick H. Hafey, shoemaker (1913-'15), the Duggan family: Michael, gardner, wife Catherine, with children Dennis, clerk; John M., chauffeur; Mary A., student; and Lena, shoeworker (all 1915-'16), the Perkins family: James H.; James A., employee, Lynn; and Federick R., painter (all 1917-'18), Charles A. Sparks, engineer, and wife Blanche (1920-'22), and Freeman G. Berry, chauffeur, and wife Gertrude (1924).

BOOK 2604 PAGE 542

DATE- July 17, 1924

CONSIDERATION- \$1100

GRANTOR- Elizabeth L. Sheridan, assignee (Aug. 17, 1900;  
Book 1618-150)

GRANTEE- Louise O. Francis of Cambridge, Mass.

DESCRIPTION- [Same as above, until] "formerly of John Shaw, now  
or late of Higgins" [then same as above]

PREVIOUS REFERENCE- Book 1298, Page 50; Book 1618, Page 150

BOOK 2604 PAGE 545

DATE- July 17, 1924

CONSIDERATION- Unspecified

GRANTOR- Louise O. Francis of Cambridge, Mass.

GRANTEE- Frances M. Marciniak of Salem

DESCRIPTION- Same as above

PREVIOUS REFERENCE- "Being the same premises conveyed to me by  
foreclosure deed of Elizabeth L. Sheridan to be  
recorded herewith."

NOTE- Frances Ozano married, and later divorced, Czeslaw  
(a.k.a. Charles or Chester) Marciniak, a shoe-worker  
born in Poland. He appears in the Salem Direc-  
tories of 1913 and 1915, was secretary of the  
Polish Club in Salem in 1936, was listed as vamper,  
Shelby Shoe Co., in the 1940's and was still living  
in Salem as late as 1951. He died in Lynn on  
November 14, 1961, aged 76 years, 8 months, 12  
days.

The 1926 Directory shows him and Frances  
Marciniak at 19 Fowler Street, together with  
tenants John C. Reddy, sales, and Catherine, his  
wife.

DATE- December 24, 1926

CONSIDERATION- Unspecified

GRANTORS- Czeslaw Marciniak and Frances M. Marciniak, his wife, in her own right, both of Salem

GRANTEE- John Vasilakopoulos of Salem  
DESCRIPTION- Same as above

PREVIOUS REFERENCE- "Being the same premises conveyed to me, Frances M. Marciniak by deed of Louise O. Francis, dated July 17, 1924 ... Book 2604, Page 545."

NOTE- The Salem Evening News (May 4, 1957) gives this obituary:  
"John E. Vasilakopoulos of 124 Margin street died suddenly this morning.  
"A resident of this city for 55 years, he was engaged in the real estate business and was well-known.  
"He was born in Lagadia, Greece, the son of Angelo and Triantafilio (Gianitsas) Vasilakopoulos.  
"Surviving him are two brothers, George and Arthur of Salem, and one sister, Mrs. Katherine Giamesis of Greece, and several nieces and nephews. ..."

DATE- December 24, 1926

CONSIDERATION- Unspecified

GRANTOR- John Vasilakopoulos [and Catherine, his wife,] of Salem

GRANTEE- Sadie Stillman of Salem

DESCRIPTION- Same as above

PREVIOUS REFERENCE- "Being the same premises this day conveyed to me by Czeslaw Marciniak [sic], et ux. ..."

NOTE- Sadie Stillman, born in Russia, came circa 1917 to Salem, where she resided more than forty years until her death on May 16, 1957. Surviving her were her husband, Louis; their three sons, Jacob, Harry, and Joseph; and their three daughters, Mrs. Harold Waters, Mrs. Henry C. Rain, and Mrs. Louis Goldstein.

BOOK 2774 PAGE 222

DATE- August 3, 1928

CONSIDERATION- Unspecified

GRANTOR- Sadie Stillman [and Louis Stillman, her husband,] of Salem

GRANTEES- Patrick J. Joyce and Nora E. Joyce, husband and wife

DESCRIPTION- Same as above

PREVIOUS REFERENCE- Book 2706, Page 100

NOTE- The 1929 Directory shows 19 Fowler Street occupied by the Joyce family: Patrick J., leather-worker in Peabody; wife Nora E.; Martin P., bookkeeper at Driscoll & Co., plumbers (79 Washington St.); Mary M., lamp inspector; and Marie.

The Joyces mortgaged the property to Salem Co-operative Bank for \$6500 (Book 2774, Page 222), and to John Vasilakopoulos for \$2200 (Book 2774, Page 223) who foreclosed on his mortgage (Book 2818, Page 460; also Book 2834, Pages 217 and 218).



DATE- January 22, 1930

CONSIDERATION- Unspecified

GRANTOR- John Vasilakopoulos [and Catherine, his wife,] of Salem

GRANTEE- Downing Realty Company, of Salem

DESCRIPTION- Same as above

PREVIOUS REFERENCE- None

NOTE- The 1930 Directory show 19 Fowler Street occupied by Frederick W. Jellison, machinist at Federal Machine Co. (171 Boston St.), and his wife Margaret. In 1931, William E. Buckley, fireman, and his wife Anna lived here, together with machinist Henry L. Cawley and his wife, Ethel F. Cawley.

DATE- February 10, 1932

CONSIDERATION- Unspecified

GRANTOR- Downing Realty Company, of Salem

GRANTEE- Salem Co-operative Bank, of Salem

DESCRIPTION- Same as above

PREVIOUS REFERENCE- Book 2774, Page 222; Book 2834, Page 219.

NOTE- From 1932 to 1934, 19 Fowler Street housed the Turcotte family: Frank, laborer; Mary, his wife; August, leather-worker; and Zeri G., U. S. Army (all in 1932), and Jeremiah G., August G. and Loius G., all shoe-workers ; and Peter, salesman in Boston (all in 1933-'34); also Mrs. Esmeralda LeBlanc (1933-'34). 19 Fowler Street was next occupied by Adjutor Gauthier, laborer, and his wife Esther T. (1935), and by Oscar J. LeBlanc, carpenter, and his wife Delia (1935-'36).

DATE- November 10, 1936

CONSIDERATION- Unspecified

GRANTOR- Salem Co-operative Bank

GRANTEE- Blanche M. Rouleau of Salem

DESCRIPTION- Same as above

PREVIOUS REFERENCE- Book 2909, Page 330

NOTE- Blanche M. Rouleau died on October 31, 1966; her obituary appears in the following day's edition of the Salem Evening News:  
"Mrs. Blanche (Bouchard) Rouleau, 19 Fowler St., wife of the late [Hector] J. Rouleau and daughter of the late Joseph and Celanire (Tremblay) Bouchard, died at her home Monday night after a brief illness. Born in Salem 64 years ago, she was a lifelong resident of the city.  
"She is survived by a son, Hector J. Rouleau of Salem; two daughters, Mrs. Edward (Harriet) Dupuis of Salem and Mrs. Pauline Smalley of New York City, seven grandchildren, two great-granchildren, two brothers, Adelard of Peabody and Albert Bouchard of Salem; two sisters, Mrs. Aime (Rose) LeBel and Mrs. Marie Cote of Salem, several nieces and nephews ..."

Blanche Rouleau left her real estate to her son, Hector Rouleau, Jr.: Like 19 Fowler Street's Samuel A. Ford nearly a century before, Rouleau was a naval war veteran and janitor of the Salem School Department. He died August 18, 1988; his obituary appears in the Salem Evening News of the following day:  
"Mr. Hector J. Rouleau, 61, of 19 Fowler St. died suddenly at his home Thursday morning.  
"Born in Salem, he was the son of the late Hector J. and Blanche (Bouchard) Rouleau.  
"A veteran of World War II, he served in Japan with the U.S. Navy. Following the war, he worked for his brother-in-law, who operated the Edward Dupuis Rock Lathing Co. of Salem.

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"Early in August of this year, he retired from the Salem School Department with 23 years of service as a custodian.

"He was formerly a member of the Salem American Legion and A.O.H.

"He is survived by two sisters, Harriet B. Dupuis of Salem and Pauline R. Smalley of Manhattan, N.Y., also several nieces and nephews. ..."

In his will, Hector J. Rouleau, Jr. left the property to the children of his sister, Harriet Dupuis, and her husband, Edward Dupuis.

The Directories show Hector J. Rouleau, carpenter, living with his wife Blanche at 19 Fowler Street from 1937 through 1966; their son, Hector Jr., listed as shoe-worker (1949-'53), lather (1954), and teacher at the Phillips School (1963 on), also resided here throughout his life. The Directories show daughters Pauline Rouleau, Sylvania employee (1949-'51) and Harriet B. (Rouleau) Dupuis, together with husband Edward J. Dupuis, mason, and their children (1958-'62).

They were accompanied by tenants Oscar J. LeBlanc (until 1939), Arthur J. Moreau, laborer, and wife Cecile (1940-'42), Charles W. Bixby, machinist, and wife Esther (1943), the L'Horty family: Alfred J., foreman of the Shelby Shoe Co. (Canal St.); Rose A., his wife; Marie R., Sylvania employee; and Philip (1944-'57), Wilfred Berube, cleaner, and his wife Alice (1952-'53), Charles Michaud, tannery worker, and his wife Patricia (1955), Blanche Rouleau's sister Mary [Marie] Cote and her husband Alfred Cote, Jr., machinist at the Salem Laundry Co. (1957-'62), Rudolph J. Szpak, tannery worker at the Leach-Heckel Leather Co., and his wife Gwendolyn (1963-'69), Robert G. Black, welder at BABCO (diemakers, Danvers) and his wife Maureen (1970-'76), John W. and Mary T. Stewart (1970-'86), Kevin O'Neill, welder at U. S. Plastic in Lynn (1975-'76), his wife Maureen (1975-'82), and Cheryl O'Neill, bookkeeper (1983-'89).

DATE- February 16, 1990

CONSIDERATION- \$195,000

GRANTORS- "Donald E. Dupuis of Peabody, Paula Graves of Saugus, Joyce Dupuis, Brian Dupuis, and Carol Kehoe a.k.a. Carol Keough all of Salem, devisees under the provisions of Article II of the will of Hector Rouleau, ... and Donald E. Dupuis ... and Henry Stafford of Essex, executors under said will"

GRANTEES- Charles L. Bean, Jr. and Susan E. Linder-Bean, husband and wife, "tenants by the entirety of 19 Fowler Street, Salem ..."

DESCRIPTION- Same as above

PREVIOUS REFERENCE- Book 3091, Page 346

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GALLOWES (Proctor St.)

NORTH RIVER

Sites of Salem & Lawrence R.R. and Salem & Lowell R.R.

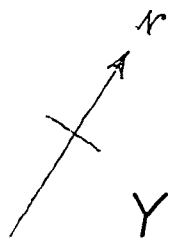
Probable Place of Executions  
Probable Site of Graves of Witches

HILL

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Common Land

"PART of SALEM in 1700"

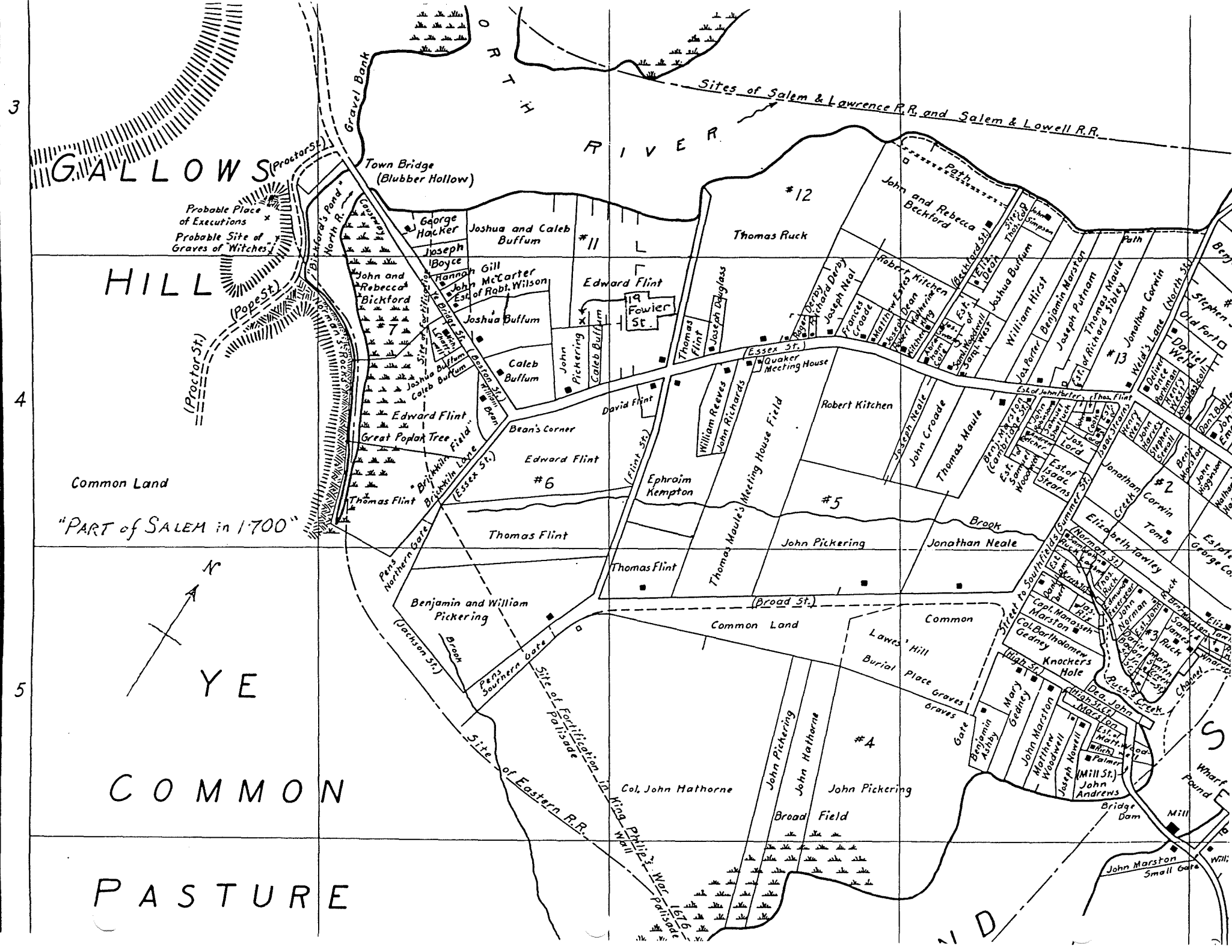


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COMMON

PASTURE





Map of Salem  
1851  
300' = 1"

