

FORM B - BUILDING

MASSACHUSETTS HISTORICAL COMMISSION  
Office of the Secretary, State House, Boston

In Area no.	Form no.
A	36

1. Town North Reading

Address 11 Bow Street

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Present use residence

Mr. & Mrs.  
Present owner Dana A. Rowe, Jr.

3. Description:

Date c. 1816

Source Reading Assessor's Records

Style Second Empire (see Altered)

Architect \_\_\_\_\_

Exterior wall fabric vinyl over wood  
clapboards

Outbuildings (describe) \_\_\_\_\_

Other features Mansard roof, altera-  
tion date of 1880

Altered rear addition Date 1890

Moved \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

5. Lot size: 10,500 sq. ft.

One acre or less  Over one acre \_\_\_\_\_

Approximate frontage 120'

Approximate distance of building from street  
5'

6. Recorded by Hurley/O'Brien

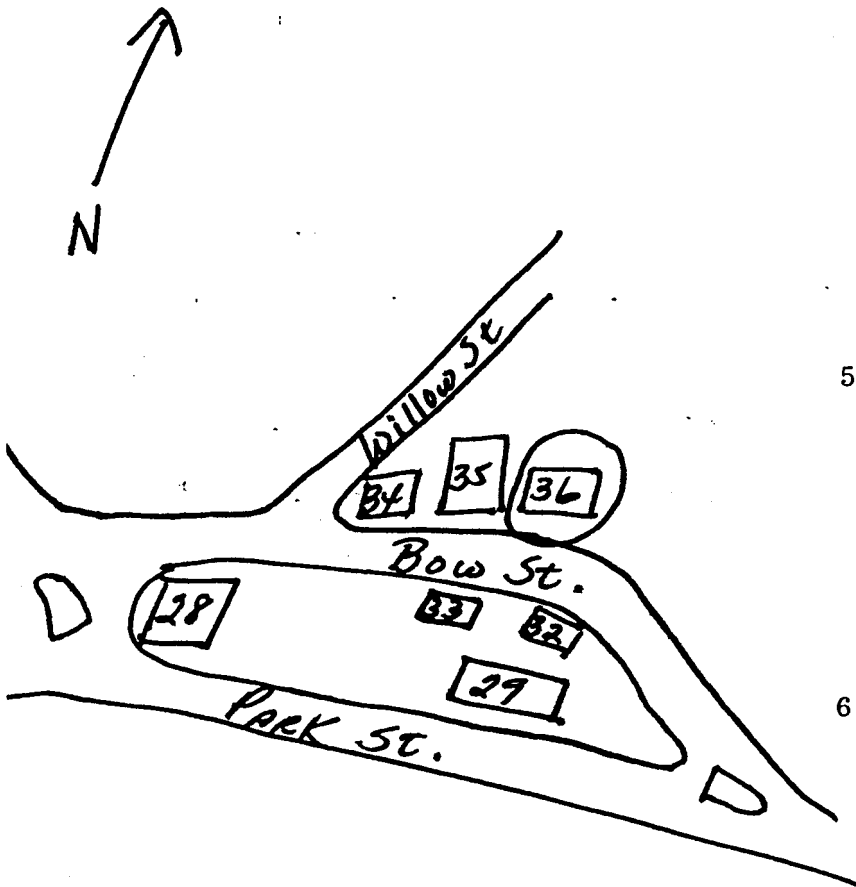
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4. Map. Draw sketch of building location in relation to nearest cross streets and other buildings. Indicate north.



(over)

7. Original owner (if known) Benjamin Buxton  
 Original use dwelling  
 Subsequent uses (if any) and dates \_\_\_\_\_

8. Themes (check as many as applicable)

Aboriginal	_____	Conservation	_____	Recreation	_____
Agricultural	_____	Education	_____	Religion	_____
Architectural	<u>  x  </u>	Exploration/ settlement	_____	Science/ invention	_____
The Arts	_____	Industry	_____	Social/ humanitarian	_____
Commerce	_____	Military	_____	Transportation	_____
Communication	_____	Political	_____		
Community development	<u>  x  </u>				

9. Historical significance (include explanation of themes checked above)

The original house was probably built by Timothy Buxton, Housewright, who took a mortgage on it in 1816. The principal occupants until 1860 were Benjamin Buxton, Jeremiah Coney and Jeremiah Coney, Jr. Daniel Graves Abbott purchased the property in 1860 and for many years rented to Richard McIntire, cordwainer, until McIntire's death in 1878. Unfortunately, we could not locate the tenant for the year 1879. In 1880, the value of the dwelling jumps from \$300 in 1878 to \$800 which seems to indicate a great improvement. In 1884, Abbott sold the property to Anna M. Southwick. However, little, if anything, is known about the Southwicks. D. G. Abbott lived on adjoining property which he also owned. The largest of three Second Empire homes in the entire town.

10. Bibliography and/or references (such as local histories, deeds, assessor's records, early maps, etc.)

Mddlsx s. s. Registry of Deeds and Probate  
 Reading Assessor's Records  
 North Reading Assessor's Records