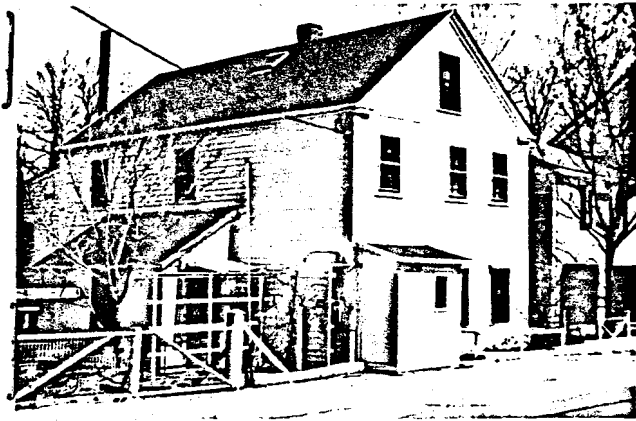


FORM B - BUILDING

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

In Area no.	Form no.
A	38

2.



1. Town North Reading

Address 5 Bow Street

Name _____

Present use residence

Present owner Mr. & Mrs. Howard L. Tufts

3. Description:

Date 1853

Source N. R. Assessor's Records

Style Greek Revival

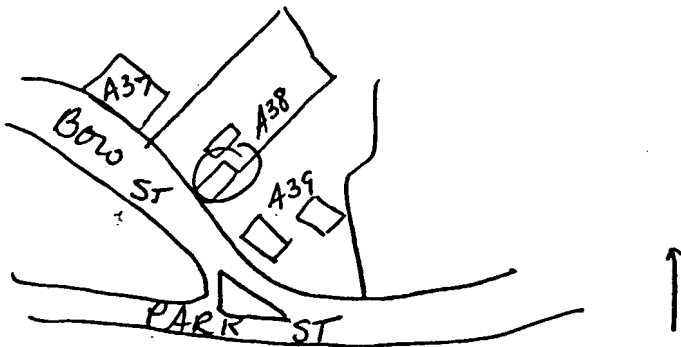
Architect Joseph M. Hart, Builder

Exterior wall fabric wood clapboard

Outbuildings (describe) garage

Other features _____

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



Altered converted Date c. 1855

Moved _____ Date _____

5. Lot size: 17,641 sq. ft.

One acre or less x Over one acre _____

Approximate frontage 90'

Approximate distance of building from street

0'

6. Recorded by Barbara O'Brien

Organization Historical Commission

Date May 1978

(over)

7. Original owner (if known) Joseph M. Hart, Cabinet Maker
 Original use possibly a cabinet maker's shop
 Subsequent uses (if any) and dates converted to dwelling c. 1855

8. Themes (check as many as applicable)

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

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

Probably Hart's work shop adjoining his home (A-39); both properties were on the same parcel of land. Believed to have been converted to dwelling around 1855 due to Hart's financial difficulties.

Purchased by Daniel Graves Abbott in 1857 and most likely used as income property until purchased in 1945 by the present owners. In 1945, the original parcel which included A-39 was split.

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
 Parish Records
 Genealogy of the Abbott Family of North Reading, O'Brien