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MASSACHUSETTS HISTORICAL COMMISSION  
Boston, MA 02108



City Newburyport

Address 7 Court Street

Historic Name \_\_\_\_\_

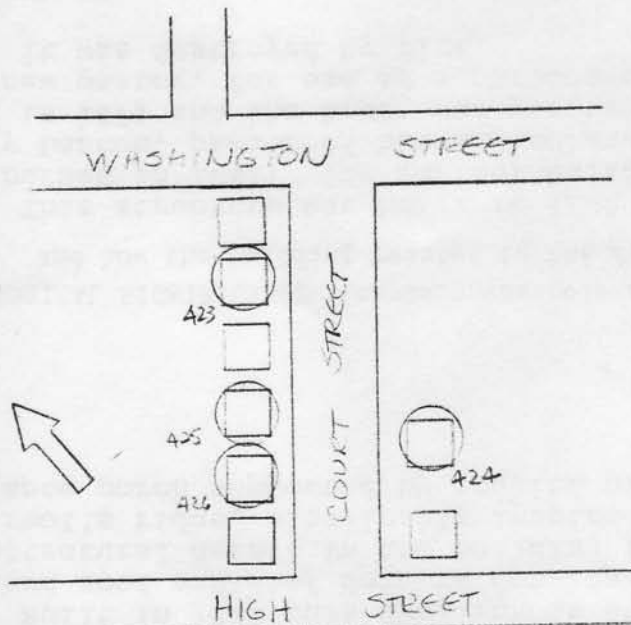
Original Rectory

Present Rectory

Ownership:  Private individual  
 Private organization Roman Catholic Archbishop of Boston  
 Public \_\_\_\_\_

Original owner Catholic Church

Draw map showing property location in relation to nearest cross streets and other buildings or geographical features. Indicate north.



DESCRIPTION:

Date 1882

Source Currier, "History of Nbpt."

Style Second Empire

Architect Unknown

Exterior wall fabric Clapboards

Outbuildings \_\_\_\_\_

Major alterations (with dates) \_\_\_\_\_

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

Approx. acreage 8,730 sq. ft.

Setting in residential area adjacent to the Immaculate Conception Church and school. The High Street historic district also abuts this property.

Recorded by Mary Jane Stirgwolt

Organization Office of Community Development

Date 11-15-80

ARCHITECTURAL SIGNIFICANCE (describe important architectural features and evaluate in terms of other buildings within community)

Built in 1882 this dwelling is Second Empire in style. It has the mansard roof and roof dormers considered hallmarks of the style. The architectural detail in the building is simple and include a curb around the roof's ridge, classically inspired cornice molding and Italianate entrance porch supported by coupled pilasters.

HISTORICAL SIGNIFICANCE (explain the role owners played in local or state history and how the building relates to the development of the community)

This structure was built in 1882 to replace an earlier building that had burned in 1881. The earlier building had been the home of Reverend Henry Lennon, pastor of the Immaculate Conception Church. Rev. Lennon died in 1871 and the house was purchased by Reverend Arthur Terling, the new pastor, for use as a parsonage. This building was used until 1881 when it was destroyed by fire.

The present structure was built in 1882 and has served as the rectory for the Immaculate Conception Church on Green Street.

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