

INVENTORY FORM B CONTINUATION SHEET

GEORGETOWN

76 Warren Street

MASSACHUSETTS HISTORICAL COMMISSION

Area(s) Form No.

GEO.314
GEO.315

220 MORRISSEY BOULEVARD, BOSTON, MASSACHUSETTS 02125

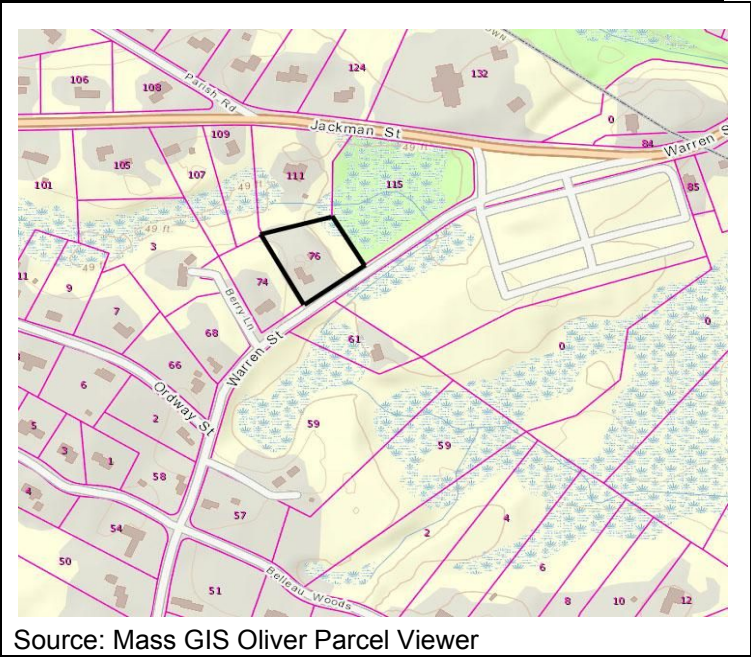
FORM B – BUILDING

MASSACHUSETTS HISTORICAL COMMISSION
MASSACHUSETTS ARCHIVES BUILDING
220 MORRISSEY BOULEVARD
BOSTON, MASSACHUSETTS 02125

Photograph



View from east.



Source: Mass GIS Oliver Parcel Viewer

Recorded by: Kathryn Grover & Neil Larson
Organization: Town of Georgetown Historical Commission
Date: June 2017

Locus Map (north at top)

INVENTORY FORM B CONTINUATION SHEET

GEORGETOWN

76 Warren Street

MASSACHUSETTS HISTORICAL COMMISSION

Area(s) Form No.

GEO.314
GEO.315

220 MORRISSEY BOULEVARD, BOSTON, MASSACHUSETTS 02125

Assessor's Number USGS Quad Area(s) Form Number

20-62

Georgetown

GEO.314
GEO.315

Setting: An early settlement area characterized by mid to late 20th-century residential subdivisions.

Town/City: Georgetown

Place: (*neighborhood or village*):
Byfield Parish

Address: 76 Warren Street

Historic Name: Jewett-Hidden House & Barn

Uses: Present: single family residential
Original: single family residential

Date of Construction: ca. 1812

Source: deeds & visual assessment

Style/Form: Federal

Architect/Builder: unknown

Exterior Material:

Foundation: stone

Wall/Trim: wood clapboards

Roof: asphalt shingles

Outbuildings/Secondary Structures:
Barn, ca. 1812

Major Alterations (*with dates*):

Rear wall raised & wing added, early 20th century
Wood clapboard siding added
Doors & window sash replaced

Condition: good

Moved: no ☒ yes ☐ **Date:**

Acreage: 1.12 acre

INVENTORY FORM B CONTINUATION SHEET

GEORGETOWN

76 Warren Street

MASSACHUSETTS HISTORICAL COMMISSION

Area(s) Form No.

GEO.314
GEO.315

220 MORRISSEY BOULEVARD, BOSTON, MASSACHUSETTS 02125

☐ Recommended for listing in the National Register of Historic Places.

If checked, you must attach a completed National Register Criteria Statement form.

ARCHITECTURAL DESCRIPTION:

The Jewett-Hidden House is a story-and-a-half wood frame single-family dwelling, built about 1812 and renovated in the mid-twentieth century, that appears to have originated with a single-pile center-hall plan and chimneys on the rear wall. Its five-bay front façade contains a center entrance with a replacement door and a broken scrolled pediment in the Colonial Revival style. The cornice along a shallow eave has been altered; skylights have been added to the roof. The gable ends have been enlarged with the elevation of the rear wall to two-stories and a reconfiguration of windows. A two-story cross-gable wing on the southerly side of the rear wall also is an addition. The house was resided with wood clapboards with the extensive renovations. A story-and-a-half domestic barn with a front-gable façade and wood shingle siding in the rear of the property is a 19th-century feature and retains its original openings for wagon, stable and mow doors.

The house is situated in the southwesterly corner of an acre lot largely maintained as lawn with woodland screening its northerly, easterly and westerly boundaries. A driveway enters the property north of the house and terminates at the barn in the rear of the building.

HISTORICAL NARRATIVE

The house now numbered 76 Warren Street was one of numerous houses on this street owned by Samuel and Miriam Poole Jewett and their descendants. The chain of title can be traced reliably only to 1847, when James Jewett, son of Samuel and Miriam's son Robert Jewett, sold 13 acres with this house, two barns, and shop to his younger brother Ebenezer (often Eben) W. Jewett.¹ The reasons for the sons' transactions are unknown, but the house clearly was built for their father, Robert Jewett (1790-1870), and mother, Mehitable Lord Dole (1793-1856), probably around the time they were married in 1812. He was the son of Samuel and Miriam Poole Jewett, who lived next door at 68 Warren Street (GEO.313); her parents were Stephen Dole and Mary Lord of Rowley. They raised at least eight children in the house, including the two sons, James (1814-98) and Ebenezer W. (1817-1904), who had a later role in the house. The 1850 census identified Robert Jewett, a 60-year-old farmer with real estate valued at \$1200, as head of a household containing his wife, Mehitable, and sons James, Ira (born 1831), and Gorham (born 1833). Robert and James were identified as farmers (James owned \$300 of real property) and James was a shoemaker. Five years later, Robert was employed as a shoemaker, and his sons James and Gorham were listed as farmers. Ira had left the household, and 29-year-old Martha P. Jewett from New Hampshire, whom James married in 1852, was added to it. Their marriage record identifies James Jewett as a trader. By 1860 Mehitable Jewett had died and James and his wife had left Robert's household, which left only son Gorham and Hephsebeth Churchill, a hired housekeeper, there. Robert Jewett remarried to Rebecca Ann Knapp (1809-1870) in 1861, and they were enumerated at this location with Gorham in the 1865 census. The next year, Gorham married Sarah S. Poore, daughter of Joseph and Lucinda Poore of Georgetown, and by 1870 they appear to have been living elsewhere. Both Robert and Rebecca Ann Jewett died that year.

In 1880 Eben Jewett, a butcher living in Lawrence, sold his father's Warren Street farm to Frederic W. Blake.² Born in Boston about 1834, Blake manufactured washing powder and farmed here. He married Caroline L. Adams of Newbury in 1856, and the couple is listed in this neighborhood in the 1880 census with daughters Susan P., a grammar school teacher, and Carrie L. The Blakes had moved to Newburyport by 1884 when they sold 76 Warren Street with 6.5 acres, half the original parcel, to farmer George T. Roberts.³ Roberts was born in London in 1834 and came to the United States in 1869. In 1879 he married Mary Lizzie

¹ James Jewett to Ebenezer W. Jewett, 6 March 1847, SECD 408:287.

² Eben W. Jewett, Lawrence MA, to Frederic W. Blake, 2 July 1880, SECD 1049:268.

³ Frederick W. Blake, Newburyport MA, to George T. Roberts, 1 January 1886, SECD 1165:284.

INVENTORY FORM B CONTINUATION SHEET

GEORGETOWN

76 Warren Street

MASSACHUSETTS HISTORICAL COMMISSION

Area(s) Form No.

GEO.314
GEO.315

220 MORRISSEY BOULEVARD, BOSTON, MASSACHUSETTS 02125

Pike, the daughter of George W. and Sophronia Pike of 66 Warren Street (GEO.312), and by 1900 their household included children Fannie B., Sarah C., Mary E., and Georgiana P., born between 1885 and 1890. In 1909 daughter Elizabeth Mary, then working as a weaver, married Harold W. Hidden, the son of Edward S. and C. Elizabeth Martin Hidden of Rowley. The 1910 census shows Robert and his wife on Warren Street with daughter Mary E. (Elizabeth Mary), son-in-law Harold Hidden, a farm worker, daughter Georgia, a woolen mill weaver, and grandson Frederick C. Darres, the son of daughter Sarah and her husband Clarence Darres, who married in 1903. In 1913 George T. Roberts died, and in that year his daughters Sarah Darres of Rowley, Fanny B. Roberts of Topsfield, and Georgia Roberts of Rowley sold 76 Warren Street to their sister Mary E. Hidden.⁴

The 1916 directory shows Harold Hidden as a farm hand living in a house on Warren Street near Chute Street, and by 1918 he was working at the Alfred S. Williams felt mill in Byfield. By 1930 he was a foreman there, and he and his wife Mary lived alone at 76 Warren Street. In 1942 Hidden was employed by the federal Works Progress Administration. He died in 1952, and his widow Mary Roberts Hidden remained in the house for some undetermined number of years. She died in Newburyport in October 1986, and a year later the executor of her will sold the 76 Warren Street property to James N. Tolman, Current owners Carol and Lynn E. Norloff bought the property in 2001.⁵

BIBLIOGRAPHY and/or REFERENCES

AmericanAncestors.org.

Ancestry.com.

Assessor's Records, Georgetown and Rowley. 1883, 1902, 1920, 1933.

Bureau of the Census. United States Census, 1790-1930.

Nelson, Henry M. "Town of Georgetown History." In Hurd, D. Hamilton. *History of Essex County, Massachusetts, with Biographical Sketches of Many of Its Pioneers and Prominent Men*. Vol. 1. Philadelphia: J. W. Lewis and Co., 1888.

Southern Essex County Registry of Deeds website, salemdeeds.com.

DIRECTORIES

Resident and Business Directory of Groveland and Georgetown, Mass., for 1885-1886. Needham, MA: Local Directory Publishing Co., 1885.*Georgetown, Boxford, Byfield, Newbury, and West Newbury, Massachusetts, Directory*. Boston: W. E. Shaw, 1901-2, 1905.

North Essex Directory for Boxford, Georgetown, Merrimac, Newbury, Rowley, Salisbury, West Newbury. Salem, MA: Henry M. Meek Publishing Co., 1907, 1909-10, 1912, 1914-15, 1916-17, 1918, 1925.

Ipswich, Boxford, Byfield, Georgetown, Newbury, Rowley, Salisbury, Salisbury Beach, Topsfield, West Newbury Directory. Vol. 1, 1932-'34. Beverly, MA, and Portland, ME: Crowley & Lunt, 1932.*Haverhill, Mass. Suburban Directory for Georgetown, Groveland, Merrimac and West Newbury 1940*. North Hampton, NH: Crosby Publishing Co., 1940.*Ipswich, Boxford, Georgetown, Middleton, Newbury, Rowley, Salisbury, Topsfield, West Newbury Directory 1957*. New Haven, CT: Price & Lee Co., 1957.

MAPS

"Map of New Rowley Surveyed and Drawn by Philander Anderson 1830." Georgetown Historical Society.

Map of Georgetown. 1856. In Walling. H. F. *A Topographical Map Essex County Massachusetts*. Boston: Smith and Morley, 1856.*Atlas of Essex County, Massachusetts*. Philadelphia: D. G. Beers and Co., 1872). Plates 59 and 61.

⁴ Sarah C. Darres, Rowley MA; Fanny B. Roberts, Topsfield MA; and Georgia A. Roberts, Rowley MA, to Mary E. Hidden, 23 October 1913, SECD 2235:455

⁵ Ruth H. Willard, executor will Mary E. Hidden, to James N. Tolman, 30 October 1987, SECD 9260:259; James N. Tolman to Andrew J. and Kathleen Martens, 4 March 1988, SECD 9428:168; Andrew J. and Kathleen Martens to Carol and Lynn E. Norloff, 10 May 2001, SECD 17182:400. The property is shown as Lot A on "Plan of Land in Georgetown, MA, " 18 December 1987, SECP 237:27.

INVENTORY FORM B CONTINUATION SHEET

GEORGETOWN

76 Warren Street

MASSACHUSETTS HISTORICAL COMMISSION

Area(s) Form No.

GEO.314 GEO.315

220 MORRISSEY BOULEVARD, BOSTON, MASSACHUSETTS 02125

“Town of Georgetown Mass.” and “Village of Georgetown Mass.” In *Atlas of Essex County, Massachusetts* (Boston: George H. Walker, 1884).

INVENTORY FORM B CONTINUATION SHEET

GEORGETOWN

76 Warren Street

MASSACHUSETTS HISTORICAL COMMISSION

Area(s) Form No.

GEO.314 GEO.315

220 MORRISSEY BOULEVARD, BOSTON, MASSACHUSETTS 02125

PHOTOGRAPHS (all photos by Neil Larson, 2017)



View from NE.

INVENTORY FORM B CONTINUATION SHEET

GEORGETOWN

76 Warren Street

MASSACHUSETTS HISTORICAL COMMISSION

Area(s) Form No.

GEO.314 GEO.315

220 MORRISSEY BOULEVARD, BOSTON, MASSACHUSETTS 02125



View from SE.

INVENTORY FORM B CONTINUATION SHEET

GEORGETOWN

76 Warren Street

MASSACHUSETTS HISTORICAL COMMISSION

Area(s) Form No.

GEO.314 GEO.315

220 MORRISSEY BOULEVARD, BOSTON, MASSACHUSETTS 02125



Aerial view from north. Source: [bing.com/maps](https://www.bing.com/maps).