

BUILDING FORM

ARCHITECTURAL DESCRIPTION

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Describe architectural features. Evaluate the characteristics of this building in terms of other buildings within the community.

- * The house at 9 West Street is a side-gabled, 4x3-bay, 2 1/2-story form with a west-side ell of 2 stories with a shed porch over the off-center entry on the façade; 2 bay windows of 1 story with elements of the Victorian Eclectic style expand the plan at the principal elevation
- * Ornament includes the corner boards and classical trim and ornamental spandrel panels in the two bay windows in the facade
- * A variety of window configurations exists including 4/4, 6/6 and 1/1 sash although most or all are modern replacements
- * The brick chimney is located in the western end of the ridge of the ell
- * The house occupies a small corner lot on the densely settled West Street and is in good condition

HISTORICAL NARRATIVE

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Discuss the history of the building. Explain its associations with local (or state) history. Include uses of the building, and the role(s) the owners /occupants played within the community.

The parcel for 9 West Street appears vacant on the 1847 Groton map but is depicted with a shop labeled "S" on the 1856 Walling map. By 1875, the building was occupied as a residence by P. Crowley and may or may not be the same building as the 1865 shop. Mr. Crowley is listed in the 1865 state census as an illiterate laborer and remained here until at least 1889. Patrick Crowley was a farmer listed on West Street in 1888 resident directory. By 1921, the house is depicted with the existing bay windows in place. By 1930, George Frazee lived here and is listed in the 1929 resident directory but without an occupation.

BIBLIOGRAPHY and/or REFERENCES

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1856 Walling map of Middlesex County; 1875 Beers atlas; 1889 Walker atlas; 1832 and 1847 Butler maps; Butler's 1829 field notes; 1939 WPA map; Federal census agricultural schedules, 1850-1880; Previous GHC Research; 1896, 1921 Sanborn Fire Insurance map; Resident Directories, 1888, 1918, 1929; Butler's town history; Butler's town history; Dr. Green; 1930 Somes Map; 1855, 1865 state census;

**** All properties mentioned in bold type are individually inventoried resources**

- Recommended for listing in the National Register of Historic Places. If checked, you must attach a completed National Register Criteria Statement Form.
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INVENTORY FORM CONTINUATION SHEET

Town
Groton

Property Address

Massachusetts Historical Commission
220 Morrissey Boulevard
Boston, MA 02125

Area(s)

Form No.



9 West Street