



## 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 43 Champney Street is a 2 1/2-story, cross-gabled, 2x3-bay form with a 1 1/2-story ell at the southwest side and elements of the Victorian Eclectic style; a 2-story bay window projects from the gable front section of the façade and a shed dormer on the southwest slope of the main gabled roof enlarges the attic; a porch covers the first story at the junction of the main block and the ell
- \* Ornament consists of the corner boards, gable returns, molded cornice, fish scale patterned shingles in the bay window and jigsaw brackets in the front porch
- \* Windows are 1/1 sash in the bay window and 2/2 sash elsewhere except for the ell which has modern casement windows; slim hoods surmount the otherwise plain trim
- \* The side-hall entry and secondary entry under the porch also have plain trim with slim hoods above
- \* The 1-bay attached garage is set at a lower grade than the house, is clad in wood clapboard and has a pedestrian door adjacent to the overhead door
- \* The house is well-maintained and is of a scale typical for Champney Street
- \* The design is remarkably similar to the house at 29 and 47 Champney Street, suggesting they were built by the same builder

### 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.*

Champney Street was laid out shortly after publication of the 1889 atlas of Middlesex County. The 1930 map of Groton by Dana Somes depicts R. P. Woods as the owner of 43 Champney Street. This is Russell P. Woods, a salesman living on Champney Street with his wife Blanche in 1929 according to the resident directory from that year.

### BIBLIOGRAPHY and/or REFERENCES

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Resident directories, 1918, 1929; 1930 Somes map of Groton;

**\*\* 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  
Massachusetts Archives Building  
Boston, MA 02125

Photos Taken 3-6/08

**Area(s)**  
**Form No.**



43 Champney St