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DATA SHEET

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NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES
INVENTORY -- NOMINATION FORMSEE INSTRUCTIONS IN HOW TO COMPLETE NATIONAL REGISTER FORMS
TYPE ALL ENTRIES -- COMPLETE APPLICABLE SECTIONS

1 NAME

HISTORIC

Town Hall Square Historic District

AND/OR COMMON

same

2 LOCATION

STREET & NUMBER

irreg. pattern centered around the Town square, and includes multiple both sides of main, Grove, Water Sts and Tappan Rd.

CITY, TOWN

Sandwich

VICINITY OF

12th

NOT FOR PUBLICATION

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

STATE

Massachusetts

CODE

025

COUNTY

Barnstable

CODE

001

3 CLASSIFICATION

CATEGORY

☒ DISTRICT☐ BUILDING(S)☐ STRUCTURE☐ SITE☐ OBJECT

OWNERSHIP

☐ PUBLIC☐ PRIVATE☒ BOTH

PUBLIC ACQUISITION

☐ IN PROCESS☐ BEING CONSIDERED

STATUS

☒ OCCUPIED☐ UNOCCUPIED☐ WORK IN PROGRESS

ACCESSIBLE

☐ YES: RESTRICTED☒ YES: UNRESTRICTED☐ NO

PRESENT USE

☐ AGRICULTURE☐ COMMERCIAL☐ EDUCATIONAL☐ ENTERTAINMENT☒ GOVERNMENT☐ INDUSTRIAL☐ MILITARY☒ MUSEUM☐ PARK☒ PRIVATE RESIDENCE☒ RELIGIOUS☐ SCIENTIFIC☐ TRANSPORTATION☐ OTHER:

4 OWNER OF PROPERTY

NAME

multiple

STREET & NUMBER

multiple

CITY, TOWN

Sandwich

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STATE

Massachusetts

5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION

COURTHOUSE,
REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.

Barnstable County Registry of Deeds Building

STREET & NUMBER

Main Street

CITY, TOWN

Barnstable

STATE

Massachusetts

6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE

Inventory of the Historic Assets of the Commonwealth

DATE

1970

☐ FEDERAL ☒ STATE ☐ COUNTY ☐ LOCALDEPOSITORY FOR
SURVEY RECORDS

Massachusetts Historical Commission

CITY, TOWN

Boston

STATE

Massachusetts

7 DESCRIPTION

CONDITION

☒ EXCELLENT
☒ GOOD
☒ FAIR
☐ DETERIORATED
☐ RUINS
☐ UNEXPOSED

CHECK ONE

☒ UNALTERED
☒ ALTERED

CHECK ONE

☒ ORIGINAL SITE
☐ MOVED DATE _____

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

The Town Hall Square Historic District is comprised of about forty acres of land containing 54 buildings and structures. The Town Hall and the Dexter Grist Mill with the Shawme Pond extending south behind them form the visual center of the district. The district extends north, south, east, and west away from the Town Hall Square to encompass nine seventeenth century, fourteen eighteenth century, twenty-four nineteenth century (mostly Greek Revival) and seven modern buildings and structures. To the southwest lies the Shawme Pond, bordered by open fields. To the southeast is modern twentieth century development and to the east is late nineteenth century development, more related to Route 6A than to the Town Square. The entire district, unified by the pond, numerous trees, spacious lawns and compatible building styles, is a cohesive district, related both historically and visually.

The Town Hall (#219), built in 1834, is a 2 story white clapboard Greek Revival building. The portico in antis has two fluted Greek Doric columns supporting the plain pediment, and four broad pilasters complete the facade decoration. The side elevations are five bays wide with 12/12 windows on the second floor level. A 2 story clapboard addition was recently added to the rear to accommodate expanded town functions.

To the east and slightly behind the Town Hall is the Dexter Grist Mill (#220). The Mill sits on the dike which was put up to dam Shawme Pond when Sandwich was first settled in 1637. The town funded the reconstruction of the Mill in 1961, and the present building accurately represents the original structure. The gambrel roofed shingled building, with stone foundation and moving water wheel is an important visual part of the Town Hall Square.

Other buildings directly fronting on the square include the First Church of Christ and the Melatiah Bourne House. The First Church of Christ (#239) is an elaborate Greek Revival clapboard structure built in 1847 by Whittemore Peterson of Duxbury from designs adapted from English architectural pattern books. The Melatiah Bourne House (#238) is a red saltbox full Colonial, with a pilastered central chimney, and was built in 1693. Also related visually to the square are the Sandwich Glass Museum, the Morse House, the Seth Freeman Nye House, and the Lawyer's Office. The Sandwich Glass Museum (#265) is on the north side of the square, facing west. The museum, a modern 2 story, 3 bay by 2 bay building, has a clapboarded facade and shingled ends, and fits in admirably with the older buildings in the district. The interior displays one of the finest collections of glass in the world, in an innovative and attractive manner, using natural light to show the glass to its best advantage. The Morse House (#196), built in the seventeenth century and "modernized" in 1830, is 2 stories high, 5 bays wide and 2 deep, with various ells and additions to the rear. The center chimney, unusual in a hip roof, is a remnant of the seventeenth century house. The Seth Freeman Nye House (#212), on the west side of the square, is a fine 2 story, clapboard Federal house with a delicate balustraded porch and detailed fan light and side lights. The front lawn slopes gradually to the square and sets off the architectural details of the house. The Lawyer's Office (#264), fronting on the square and a

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little south of the Nye House, was built by Judge Seth Nye in 1830 as his office and for use as a hearing room. It is a small building with double doors and a shallow hip roof.

Main Street, coming into the square from the west, and Tupper Road, entering the square from the north, contain a mixture of seventeenth, eighteenth, and nineteenth century residences, surrounded by large shade trees and pleasant lawns. Of particular note on Main Street are the Basset House (#192) which is a 1693 "Cape", and the Timothy Bourne House (#188), a full Colonial house built in 1740 and set off by magnificent copper beach trees on the front lawn. At the northern most boundary of the district on Tupper Road is a small Federal brick residence, the Parson Goodwin House (#200), built in 1815. It is the only brick house in the district and one of the few in Sandwich. Also on Tupper Road is the Moody House (#197). The right hand side of the house was built in 1699 by Captain Seth Pope, and later additions were made in the eighteenth century. The house has deteriorated in the last few years but the restoration of the building is now being considered.

Grove Street, also containing a number of seventeenth, eighteenth and nineteenth century buildings, with no modern intrusions, faces Shawme Pond. The Newcomb Tavern (#210), c. 1703 and the Dexter-Pope House (#209) built in 1693 are both full Colonial buildings which greatly enhance the streetscape. The Lemuel Pope House (#207), a large shingled Georgian double house built in 1794, faces north, presenting its gable end to the street. Farther south on Grove Street is the first town cemetery situated on a small tree shaded peninsula extending into the pond. The oldest legible stone is dated 1683 and the earliest recorded burial is 1663. The cemetery is no longer in use; the last interment was in 1939.

Water Street, which extends southeast from the Town Hall Square, also contains buildings from the seventeenth, eighteenth and nineteenth centuries, and has three modern structures which are compatible with the other buildings in the district. The John Dillingham House, the Deacon Eldred House, the Hoxie House, and the "Lindens" are the most significant buildings on Water Street. The John Dillingham House (#240) is a 2 story clapboard center chimney Colonial located on four acres of wooded land. The town recently bought the building in order to preserve the land and will sell the house, with preservation restrictions, to a private owner. The wooded land will be kept by the town in order to retain the rural backdrop next to the church and the east side of the Town Hall Square.

The Eldred House (#224), built in 1756, is a 2 story clapboard building which was greatly altered in the late nineteenth century. The town has bought the property and is in the process of restoring it to its original condition; when completed, the house will be used for town exhibits and meetings.

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Farther south on Water Street is the Hoxie House (#222), another town owned property. Thought to have been built c. 1675, the house is an example of an early saltbox farmhouse. The building was extensively restored in 1959, and while most of the original structural members were retained the fireplaces and chimneys had to be rebuilt. The other houses on Water Street range in style from full Colonial and Colonial Cape cottages to Greek Revival houses, with one transitional Greek Revival/Italianate cottage.

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east then north to the north lot line of the Melatiah Bourne House (#238), then follows the back lot lines of the properties along Water Street, to the intersection of Water Street and Beale Street, then runs west on the west lot line of the barn (#223b), then north along the back lot lines of the Tobey House (223a) and the Farm Cottage (#225), then runs west across the Shawme Pond to the south lot line of the Ellis House (#206), then north along the back lot lines of the houses along Grove Street to Main Street, then west along the front lot lines of the houses on the north side of Main Street to the west lot line of the Bourne House (#188).

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Inventory of Structures in Town Hall Square Historic District

(numbers correspond to Inventory of Historic Assets of the Commonwealth)

Inv.#	Name	Address	Date
188	Timothy Bourne House	111 Main St.	1740
189	George Burbank House	113 Main St.	19th c.
190	house	115 Main St.	19th c.
191	Obed Butler Nye House	119 Main St.	19th c.
192	Bassett House	121 Main St.	17th c.
193	house	123 Main St.	17th c.
187	Fairview	125 Main St.	19th c.
194	Belcher House	127 Main St.	19th c.
196	Morse House	118 Tupper Rd.	17th c./1830
410	house	116 Tupper Rd.	mod.
271	house	112 Tupper Rd.	1840's
197	Moody House	110 Tupper Rd.	1699
198	house	108 Tupper Rd.	1840's
199	house	106 Tupper Rd.	1840's
441	house	104 Tupper Rd.	mod.
200	Parson Goodwin House	100 Tupper Rd.	1815
263	Pope Boathouse	Grove St.	19th c.
218	Newland House	19 Grove St.	19th c.
217	Old Town Cemetery	Grove St.	1663
206	Ellis House	22 Grove St.	17th c.
158	house	20 Grove St.	19th c.
207	Lemuel Pope House	14 Grove St.	1794
208	house	12 Grove St.	19th c.
209	Dexter-Pope House	10 Grove St.	1699
210	Newcomb Tavern	8 Grove St.	1703
211	house	6 Grove St.	19th c.
264	Seth Nye Lawyer's Office	4 Grove St.	1830
212	Seth Freeman Nye House	2 Grove St.	1830
213	house	120 Main St.	1788
265	Sandwich Glass Museum	Tupper Rd.	mod.
219	Town Hall	Town Hall Square	1834
220	Dexter Grist Mill	Town Hall Square	mod(recon.)
238	Melatiah Bourne House	138 Main St.	1693
239	First Church of Christ	Town Hall Square	1847
240	John Dillingham House	1 Water St.	1746
241	house	5 Water St.	19th c.
242	Colonel Norton's Cottage	7 Water St.	18th c.

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Inventory (continued)

Inv. #	Name	Address	Date
243	Lemuel Dillingham House	9 Water St.	18th c.
302	house	11 Water St.	18th c.
516	house	13 Water St.	mod.
244	Heald House	15 Water St.	1870's
299	Fessenden House	13 School St.	1790
500	house	19 Water St.	mod.
245	"The Lindens"	23 Water St.	1743
246	house	25 Water St.	18th c.
247	Tobey House	27 Water St.	1840's
223b	barn	24 Water St.	1845
223a	Deacon Tobey House	24 Water St.	1724
225	Farm Cottage	22 Water St.	18th c.
475	house	20 Water St.	mod.
222	Hoxie House	18 Water St.	1675
301	Percival House	8 Water St.	18th c.
221	house	6 Water St.	19th c.
224	Deacon Eldred House	4 Water St.	1756

8 SIGNIFICANCE

PERIOD	AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE -- CHECK AND JUSTIFY BELOW			
☐ PREHISTORIC	☐ ARCHEOLOGY-PREHISTORIC	☐ COMMUNITY PLANNING	☐ LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE	☐ RELIGION
☐ 1400-1499	☐ ARCHEOLOGY-HISTORIC	☐ CONSERVATION	☐ LAW	☐ SCIENCE
☐ 1500-1599	☒ AGRICULTURE	☐ ECONOMICS	☐ LITERATURE	☐ SCULPTURE
☒ 1600-1699	☒ ARCHITECTURE	☐ EDUCATION	☐ MILITARY	☐ SOCIAL/HUMANITARIAN
☒ 1700-1799	☐ ART	☐ ENGINEERING	☐ MUSIC	☐ THEATER
☒ 1800-1899	☐ COMMERCE	☒ EXPLORATION/SETTLEMENT	☐ PHILOSOPHY	☐ TRANSPORTATION
☐ 1900-	☐ COMMUNICATIONS	☒ INDUSTRY	☐ POLITICS/GOVERNMENT	☐ OTHER (SPECIFY)
		☐ INVENTION		

SPECIFIC DATES

BUILDER/ARCHITECT

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

The Town Hall Square Historic District in Sandwich is the site of the first settlement on Cape Cod. Established in 1637 and incorporated in 1639, the community retained its agricultural character until 1825 when the town was transformed by the establishment of the Sandwich Glass Works. The town's prosperity as an industrial community lasted until 1888 when the factory was closed and the town returned to its agricultural pursuits. Sandwich today has retained its early nineteenth century character with many reminders of the seventeenth and eighteenth century and few intrusions from the twentieth century.

The core of the seventeenth century settlement was the Dexter Grist Mill (#220) which stands on the old dike built to dam the Mill Stream and form the Shawme Pond. The site had obvious attractions for the first settlers; a stream for water power, a mixed forest of pine and oak for fuel and timber, and extensive marshes of salt hay for bedding and fodder for cattle. Myles Standish and John Alden came down to Sandwich from Plymouth as commissioners to help lay out the boundaries of the new town which started as a farming community. As the settlement grew the farm lands spread outward away from the town center, and the broad fields between the earliest houses were gradually filled. Nine of the buildings erected in the original seventeenth century settlement still remain as well as fourteen built in the eighteenth century.

Although Sandwich tried for a brief time at the turn of the eighteenth century to become a seafaring community, the lack of a good harbor doomed this effort. The town continued therefore, as a typical early farming community, until 1825 when Deming Jarves built his glass factory. The Sandwich Glass Works, which turned Sandwich into one of New England's first industrialized villages, brought prosperity and wealth to the community. The Sandwich Town Hall (#219) built in 1837 and the First Church of Christ (#239) built in 1847, are both fine examples of the Greek Revival style, which reflected this new era of prosperity and pride in Sandwich.

By 1850, the glass factory employed some 500 "hands" including many skilled artisans drawn from European countries, and turned out 100,000 pounds of glass a week for markets at home and abroad. The glass factory closed down in 1888, and the last of its brick buildings was torn down in the 1930's but the Sandwich Glass Museum, attractively housed in a modern building facing Town Hall Square, contains the finest collection of Sandwich glass in the country, and serves as a reminder of the town's most prosperous era.

The Town Hall Square Historic District has been virtually unaltered since the mid-nineteenth century. It is significant as an almost intact early nineteenth century village with buildings from three centuries, resting comfortably side by side, giving us a glimpse of the past.

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10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY approx. 40 acres

UTM REFERENCES

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VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

The District is bounded by the west lot line of the Bourne House (#188), then runs east along the back lot lines of the properties on Main Street, then goes north along the back lot lines of the properties on Tupper Road, then goes east at the north lot line of the Parson Goodwin House (#220), then runs south along the front lot lines of the properties on Tupper Road, then goes southeast across Tupper Road to follow the northern boundary of the Sandwich Glass Museum lot (#265), then follows the Mill Stream south to the Town Hall Square, and follows Main Street (cont)

LIST ALL STATES AND COUNTIES FOR PROPERTIES OVERLAPPING STATE OR COUNTY BOUNDARIES

STATE	CODE	COUNTY	CODE
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11 FORM PREPARED BY

NAME / TITLE

Christine Boulding, Assistant Survey Director, and Shirley Cross

ORGANIZATION

Massachusetts Historical Commission

DATE

August, 1975

STREET & NUMBER

40 Beacon Street

TELEPHONE

617-727-8470

CITY OR TOWN

Boston

STATE

Massachusetts 02108

12 STATE HISTORIC PRESERVATION OFFICER CERTIFICATION

THE EVALUATED SIGNIFICANCE OF THIS PROPERTY WITHIN THE STATE IS:

NATIONAL ☐

STATE ☒

LOCAL ☐

As the designated State Historic Preservation Officer for the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966 (Public Law 89-665), I hereby nominate this property for inclusion in the National Register and certify that it has been evaluated according to the criteria and procedures set forth by the National Park Service.

STATE HISTORIC PRESERVATION OFFICER SIGNATURE

Elizabeth Reid Amador

TITLE

Mass. State Historic Preservation Officer

DATE

Aug. 27, 1975

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I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THIS PROPERTY IS INCLUDED IN THE NATIONAL REGISTER

DIRECTOR, OFFICE OF ARCHEOLOGY AND HISTORIC PRESERVATION

ATTEST:

Ronald M. Stenberg

DATE

10/31/75

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KEEPER OF THE NATIONAL REGISTER

Property Town Hall Square Historic District
State Mass. Working Number 9.5.75.1638

Barnstable

TECHNICAL

Photos 16

Maps 3

4 cont sheets (H7, 9)

CONTROL

OK pl
9.8.75

Architectural significance not explicit.
Important as an early settlement.

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Accept
E. Smith
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ARCHITECTURAL HISTORIAN

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H. Jansel
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north facade of Melatiah Bourne House, (#238) 138 Main St.



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north elevation of Dexter Grist Mill, (#220) Town Hall Square.

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west facade of Sandwich Glass Museum, (#265) Tupper Rd.

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east facade of Seth Nye's Lawyer's Office (#264), 4 Grove St.

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south facade of Timothy Bourne House (#188), 111 Main Street.

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looking east on Main St. at Bassett House (#192) 121 Main St., and house, (#193),
123 Main St.

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southeast facade, Morse House (#196), 118 Tupper Road.

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east facade of Moody House (#197), 110 Tupper Road.

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east facade and south elevation of Parson Goodwin House (#200), 100 Tupper Rd.

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north facade of Lemuel Pope House (#207), 14 Grove St.

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east facade of Dexter-Pope House (#209), 10 Grove St.

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east facade of Newcomb Tavern (#210), 8 Grove St.

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west facade of "The Lindens" (#245), 23 Water St.



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south facade of Hoxie House (#222), Water St.

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Property Name

Town Hall Square Historic
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County, State

Barnstable,
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75001914

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☐ Nomination Form

☒ Photographs (#1)

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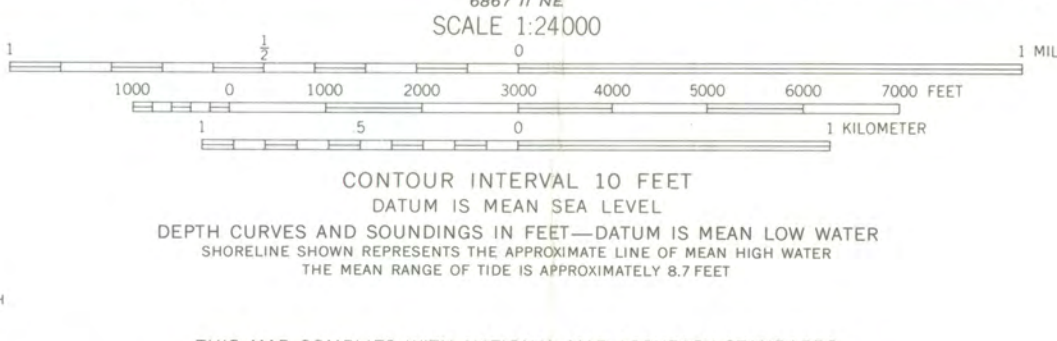
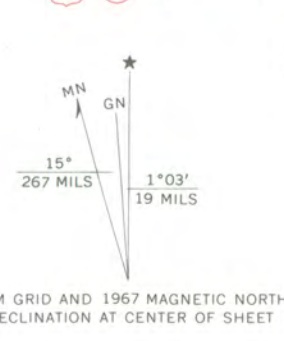
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zone 19, shown in blue



ROAD CLASSIFICATION
Primary highway, all weather, hard surface
Secondary highway, all weather, hard surface
Light-duty road, all weather, improved surface
Unimproved road, fair or dry weather
U. S. Route
State Route

SAGAMORE, MASS.
N4145-W7030/7.5

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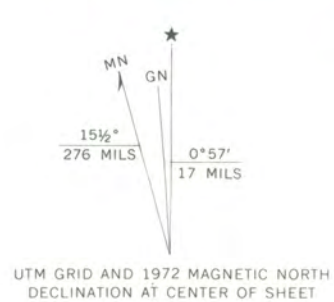
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THE MEAN RANGE OF TIDE IS APPROXIMATELY 8.7 FEET



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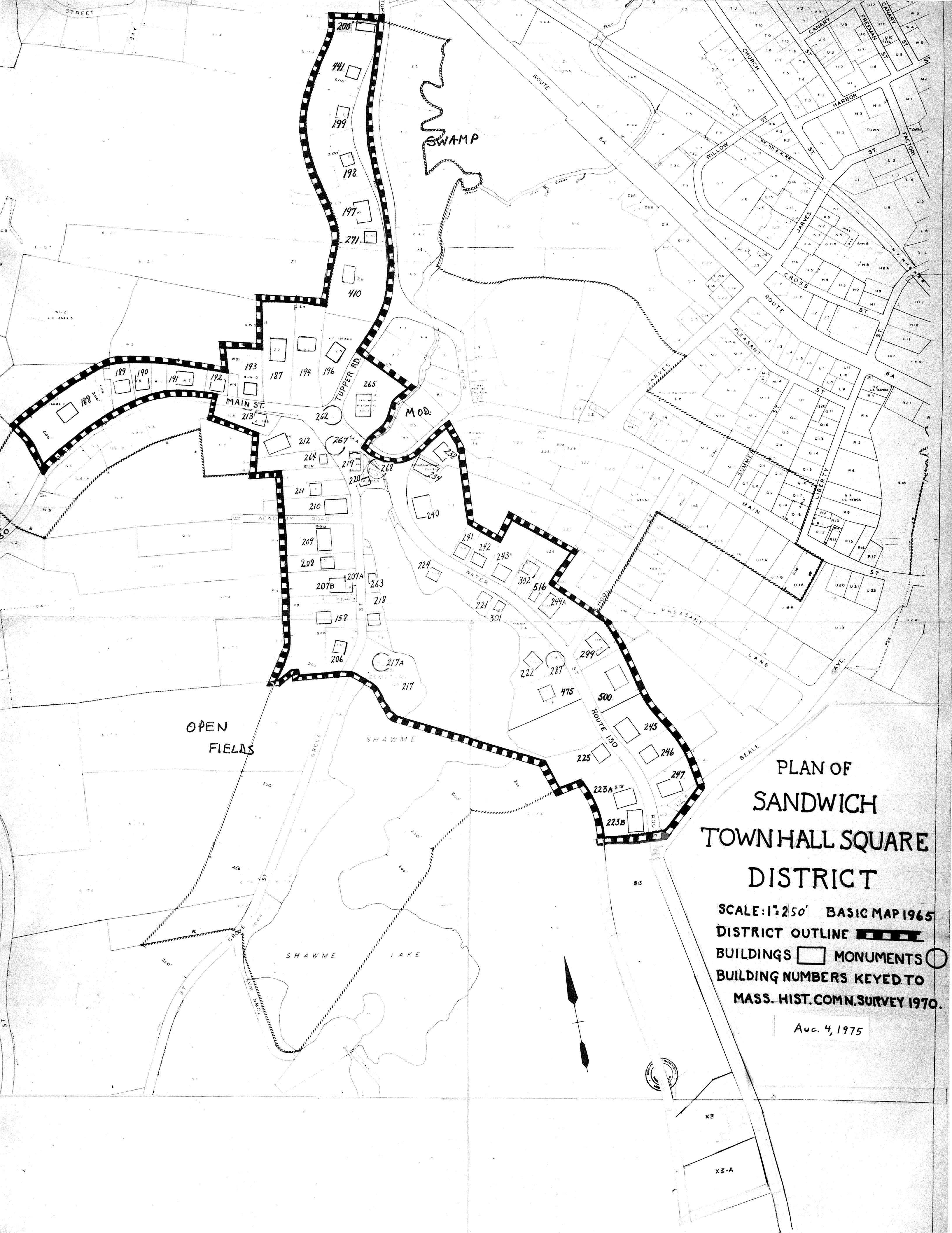
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PLAN OF
SANDWICH
TOWN HALL SQUARE
DISTRICT

SCALE: 1"=250' BASIC MAP 1965
DISTRICT OUTLINE 
BUILDINGS  MONUMENTS 
BUILDING NUMBERS KEYED TO
MASS. HIST. COM. SURVEY 1970.

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Sandwich District gives a glimpse of history

SANDWICH — The Town Hall Historic District, which has remained virtually unaltered since the mid-19th century, gives us a lovely glimpse of the past with its buildings from three centuries. The district, the first settlement on Cape Cod, has been approved recently for inclusion in the National Register of Historic Places by the Massachusetts Historical Commission. It was received by State Secretary John Guzzi, Chairman of the Commission, and Gary Everhardt, Director of the National Park Service in the United States Department of the Interior.

Established in 1637 and incorporated in 1641, the community retained its agricultural character until 1825 when the town was transformed by the establishment of the Sandwich Glass Works. The town's prosperity as an industrial community lasted until 1888 when the factory was closed and the town returned to its agricultural pursuits. Sandwich today has retained its early 19th century character with many reminders of the 17th and 18th centuries and few intrusions from the 20th century.

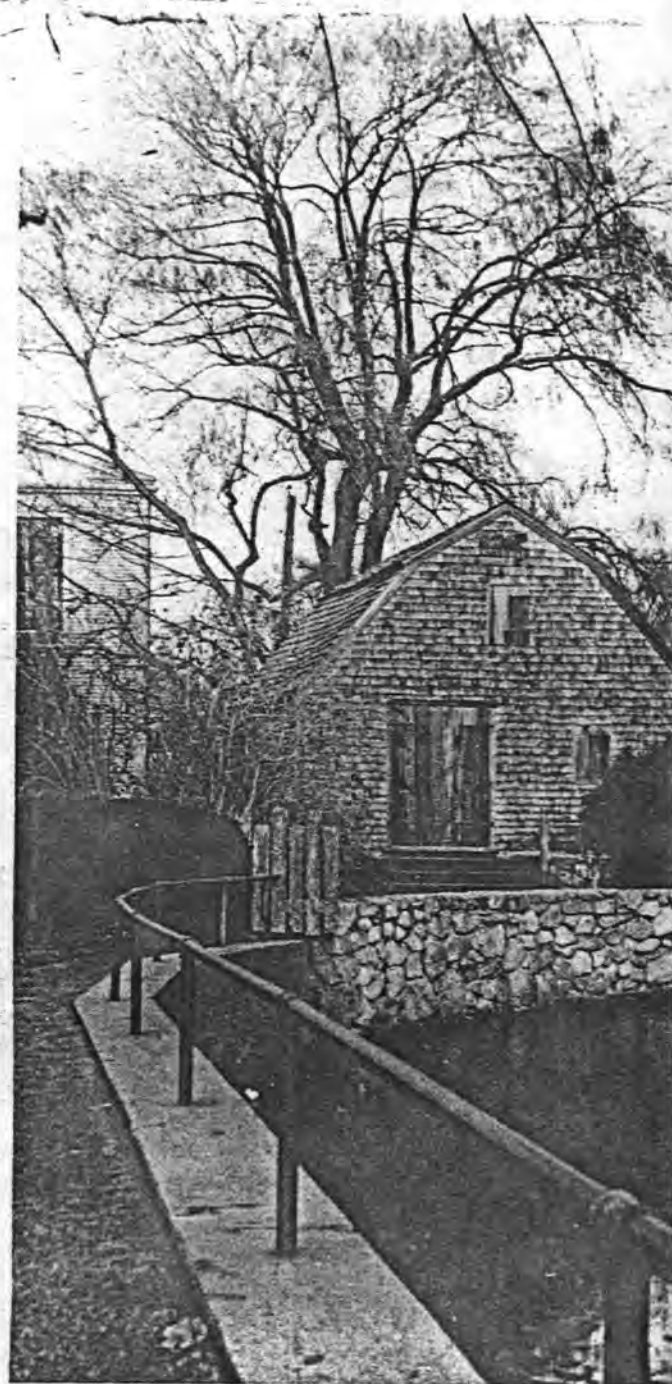
The core of the 17th century settlement is the Dexter Grist Mill which stands on an old dike built to dam the Mill Stream from the Shawme Pond. The site had obvious attractions for the first settlers; a dam for water power, a mixed forest of pine and oak for fuel and timber, and extensive marshes of salt hay for bedding fodder for cattle. Myles Standish and

John Alden came down to Sandwich from Plymouth as commissioners to help lay out the boundaries of the new town which started as a farming community. Nine of the buildings erected in the original 17th century settlement still remain as well as fourteen built in the 18th century.

Although Sandwich tried for a brief time at the turn of the 18th century to become a seafaring community, the lack of good harbor doomed this effort. The town continued therefore, as a typical early farming community, until 1825 when Deming Jarves built his glass factory. The Sandwich Glass Works, which turned Sandwich into one of New England's first industrialized villages, brought prosperity and wealth to the community. The Sandwich Town Hall, built in 1837 and the First Church of Christ, built in 1847, are both fine examples of the Greek Revival style, which reflected this new era of prosperity and pride in Sandwich.

By 1850, the glass factory employed some 500 "hands" including many skilled artisans "drawn" from European countries, and turned out 100,000 pounds of glass a week for markets at home and abroad. The glass factory closed down in 1888, and the last of the brick buildings was torn down in the 1930's but the Sandwich Glass Museum, attractively housed in a modern building facing Town Hall Square, contains the finest collection of Sandwich glass in the country, and serves as a reminder of the town's most prosperous era.

The District is comprised of about 40 acres of land containing 54 buildings and structures. The Town Hall and the Dexter Grist Mill with the Shawme Pond extending South behind them form the visual center of the district. In addition to buildings already mentioned, the District includes the Melatiah Bourne House, the Morse House, the Seth Freeman Nye House, the Lawyer's Office, the Basset House, the Parsons Goodwin House, the Timothy Bourne House, the Moody House, the Newcombe Tavern, the Lemuel Pope House, the John Dillingham House, the Eldred House, Colonel Norton's Cottage, Farm Cottage and many others.



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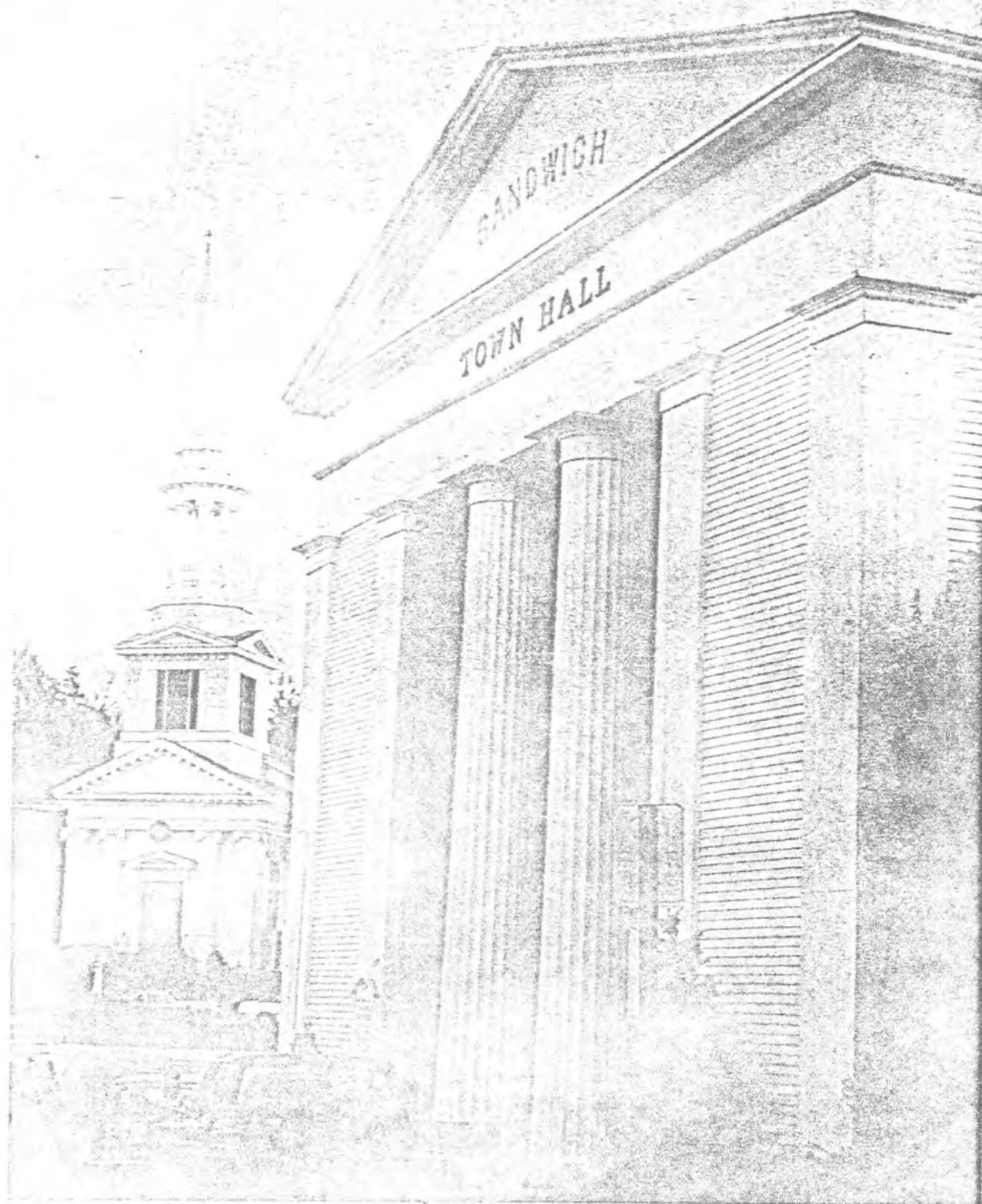
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YESTERDAY AND TODAY...Sandwich Town Hall dominates the center of the Town Hall Historic District, with the First Church of Christ in the background. The district has been approved recently for inclusion in the National Register of Historic Places. (See story, Page 3.)

New act keeps "old farce"

NATIONAL REGISTER DATA SHEET

① NAME as it appears on federal register: ④ Town Hall Square Historic District		② OTHER NAMES:		③ date of entry: 10/31/75	④ county code: 001
⑤ LOCATION street & ^{number} (SEE REVERSE) ^{town} city / town irregular pattern centered around square * Sandwich		vicinity of	state MA	county Barnstable	⑥ NPS REGION: N. Atlantic
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⑨ EXISTING SURVEYS ☐ HABS ☐ HAER ☐ NHL		⑩ FUNDED? ☐ YES ☐ NO	⑪ CONGRESS. DISTRICT <u>12TH</u>	⑫ SOURCE of NOMINATION ☒ STATE ☐ FEDERAL	
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⑳ AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE: ☐ ARCHEOLOGY-prehistoric-2 ☐ COMMERCE-6 ☐ ENTERTAINMENT-26 ☐ LANDSCAPE ARCH.-15 ☐ LAW-16 ☐ POLITICS/GOVT.-21 ☐ RECREATION-28 ☐ ARCHEOLOGY-historic-1 ☐ COMMUNICATIONS-7 ☐ EXPLORATION-12 ☐ LITERATURE-17 ☐ RELIGION-22 ☒ SETTLEMENT-29 ☐ AGRICULTURE-3 ☐ CONSERVATION-8 ☐ HEALTH-27 ☐ MILITARY-18 ☐ SCIENCE-23 ☐ URBAN PLANNING-31 ☒ ARCHITECTURE-4 ☐ ECONOMICS-9 ☒ INDUSTRY-13 ☐ MUSIC-19 ☐ SOCIAL/HUMANITARIAN-24 ☐ OTHER (SPECIFY) ☐ ART-5 ☐ EDUCATION-10 ☐ INVENTION-14 ☐ PHILOSOPHY-20 ☐ TRANSPORTATION-25		㉑ CLAIMS: explain 'first' ☐ 'oldest' ☐ 'only' ☐			
㉒ functions WHEN HISTORICALLY SIGNIFICANT: residential/govt./religious CURRENTLY: residential/govt./religious		㉓ dates of initial construction: <u>1693-17th C.</u> major alterations: historic events: <u>1637-1st SETTLEMENT ON CAPE * (OVER)</u>		㉔ ETHNIC GROUP ASSOCIATION	
㉕ architectural style(s): Colonial/Greek Revival/Georgian		㉖ architect:		㉗ master builder:	
㉘ landscape architect/garden designer:		㉙ interior decorator:		㉚ artist:	
㉛ artisan:		㉜ builder/contractor:			
㉝ NAMES give role & date PERSONAL: EVENTS: INSTITUTIONAL: (1) SANDWICH GLASS WORKS (1825) 1ST INDUSTRY in TOWN - CLOSED 1888.					
㉞ NATIONAL REGISTER WRITE-UP Predominantly residential district of 47 significant frame, 1½-2½-story buildings including the "Cape" style Basset House (1693), the Colonial Timothy Bourne House (1740), the Federal style Parson Goodwin house (1815), with its unusually narrow main block, and the Greek Revival Town Hall (1834), with its massive distyle portico in antis. Site of the first settlement on Cape Cod, 1637; became industrialized with the opening of the Sandwich Glass Works, 1825; retains 19th C. character due to decline after closing of the Glass works in 1888.					

reviewers initials: Geoff

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⑤, including both sides of Main, ^{and} Grove, Water ^s streets, and Tupper Road, from Beale ave. on the S
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②④ 1825 - opening of Sandwich Glass Works / 1888 - closing of SANDWICH GLASS WORKS