

MASSACHUSETTS HISTORICAL COMMISSION
80 BOYLSTON STREET
BOSTON, MA 02116

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- 70: 24 exterior S & E facades
- 70 : 21 summer beam in E front room
- 70: 12 W wall of original house rear room

Town Rockport 009

Address Gott Ave.

Historic Name Gott House

Use: Present residential

Original residential

DESCRIPTION

Date 1702(?) - 1730

Source visual analysis

Style First Period

Architect unknown

Exterior Wall Fabric clapboard

Outbuildings 20th c. potting shed

Major Alterations (with dates) half house to SW added mid-18th c.

Condition good

Moved no Date n/a

Acreage under 1 acres

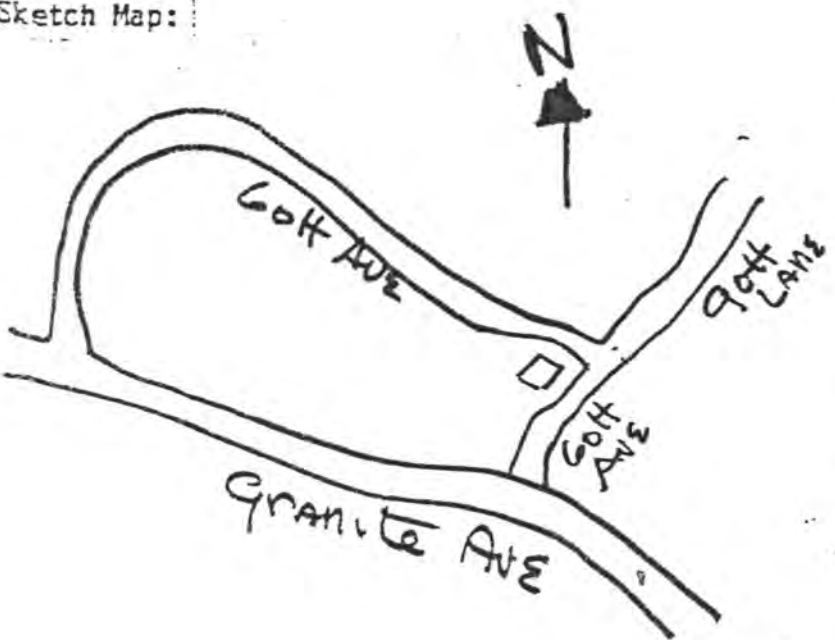
Setting off Granite Ave in isolated setting on road to Halibut Point

Recorded by Anne Grady

Organization Boston University

Date June 1986

Sketch Map:



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M REFERENCE 19 / 366-350 / 4727-150

SGS QUADRANGLE Rockport

SCALE 1/25:000

INVENTORY FORM CONTINUATION SHEETMASSACHUSETTS HISTORICAL COMMISSION
Office of the Secretary, Boston

Community: ROCKPORT	Form No: 29
Property Name: Gott House	

Indicate each item on inventory form which is being continued below.

SIGNIFICANCE

The Samuel Gott House retains integrity of design, location, workmanship, feeling and association. In its plank frame, original single-cell plan, and continued use of the exposed and decorated summer or tie beam it embodies distinctive characteristics of First Period construction that meet Criterion C. Its roofing however suggests a Second Period date, which places the house among the smaller number of transitional First Period to Second Period houses of some undetermined date between 1702 and c. 1730. Its plank frame and 23" joist spacing reinforce a possible date in the first quarter of the eighteenth century, despite the undecorated character of other framing members.

EXTERIOR DESCRIPTION

The Gott House is a gambrel roofed cottage and is constructed with plank walls. The original part on the east is three bays wide and two rooms deep with the front room larger than the rear room. A two bay, one room deep addition was added to the west in the mid 18th century. Being narrower, the addition lacks the rear slope of the gambrel roof. The lobby and chimney are in the center bay flanking the front rooms. The shingled exterior has Second Period vernacular style trim in the form of multi-paned sash windows and a simple doorway. There are 2 dormer windows in the front slope of the roof.

MAJOR FIRST PERIOD FEATURES

Exposed framing is visible throughout the original, eastern-most 3 bays. The transverse summer beam in the right-hand room has flat chamfers 1 1/4 inches wide and lamb's tongue stops at the partition wall, but not at the front wall. The continuation of the summer beam in the rear room is flat chamfered. Other beams exposed in the rear room have narrow flat chamfers. In the rear room also, consistent with the plank wall construction, braces are exposed on the west wall. In the lobby, the original end girt is rabbetted to receive planks, but planks have been removed to allow access to the added west room.

Upstairs, framing of the gambrel roof consists of rafters for the upper and lower roof slopes, struts between lower rafter and tie beam, purlings and cross beams at the junction of the upper and lower rafters. The space below the cross beams, finishes living space, retains early plaster and lath.

LATER SIGNIFICANT FEATURES

The added west room retains fine Second Period finish: raised field paneling on the fireplace wall, raised-field paneled dado on the rear wall and a corner cupboard with arched, paneled door.

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United States Department of the Interior
National Park Service

1/24/90

National Register of Historic Places
Continuation Sheet

Section number _____ Page _____

Multiple Resource Area
Thematic Group

Name _____
State _____

Nomination/Type of Review

Date/Signature

31. Giddings, Lient., Samuel House

Substantive Review

Keener *Both J. Sarge* 3/9/90

DOE/OWNER OBJECTION

Attest _____

32. Goodale, Isaac, House

Substantive Review

Keener *Both J. Sarge* 3/9/90

Attest _____

33. Gott House

Entered in the
National Register

Keener *Helena Byer* 3/9/90

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34. Gould, Capt. Joseph, House

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35. Gould, Zaccheus, House

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Keener *Helena Byer* 3/9/90

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36. Hardy, Joseph, House

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37. Harraden, Edward, House

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38. Harris Farm

Substantive Review

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39. Hart House

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40. Haskett, William, House

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
NATIONAL PARK SERVICE

NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES
EVALUATION/RETURN SHEET

REQUESTED ACTION: NOMINATION

PROPERTY NAME: Gott House

MULTIPLE NAME: First Period Buildings of Eastern Massachusetts TR

STATE & COUNTY: MASSACHUSETTS, Essex

DATE RECEIVED: 1/24/90 DATE OF PENDING LIST: 2/07/90
DATE OF 16TH DAY: 2/23/90 DATE OF 45TH DAY: 3/10/90
DATE OF WEEKLY LIST:

REFERENCE NUMBER: 90000255

NOMINATOR: STATE

REASONS FOR REVIEW:

APPEAL: N DATA PROBLEM: N LANDSCAPE: N LESS THAN 50 YEARS: N
OTHER: N PDIL: N PERIOD: N PROGRAM UNAPPROVED: N
REQUEST: N SAMPLE: N SLR DRAFT: N NATIONAL: N

COMMENT WAIVER: N

ACCEPT RETURN REJECT 3/9/90 DATE **Entered in the National Register**

ABSTRACT/SUMMARY COMMENTS:

RECOM./CRITERIA _____
REVIEWER _____
DISCIPLINE _____
DATE _____

DOCUMENTATION see attached comments Y/N see attached SLR Y/N

CLASSIFICATION

count resource type

STATE/FEDERAL AGENCY CERTIFICATION

FUNCTION

historic current

DESCRIPTION

architectural classification
 materials
 descriptive text

SIGNIFICANCE

Period Areas of Significance--Check and justify below

Specific dates Builder/Architect
Statement of Significance (in one paragraph)

summary paragraph
 completeness
 clarity
 applicable criteria
 justification of areas checked
 relating significance to the resource
 context
 relationship of integrity to significance
 justification of exception
 other

BIBLIOGRAPHY

GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

acreage verbal boundary description
 UTM's boundary justification

ACCOMPANYING DOCUMENTATION/PRESENTATION

sketch maps USGS maps photographs presentation

OTHER COMMENTS

Questions concerning this nomination may be directed to

_____ Phone _____

Signed _____ Date _____



Gott Avenue, Rockport, TX

Gott House
Exterior
1985

1st Period Beddings of E. May, TX 70:21A



Rockport, ITA

Gott House

Gott Ave

west wall of original house

1985

70:12

1st Period Buildings of E. Ma., TR



Rockport, TX

Gott Haus e

Gott Ave

Summer beam

1985

70:21

1st Period Buildings of B. May, TX

Please refer to the map in the
Multiple Property Cover Sheet
for this property

Multiple Property Cover Sheet Reference Number: 64000281