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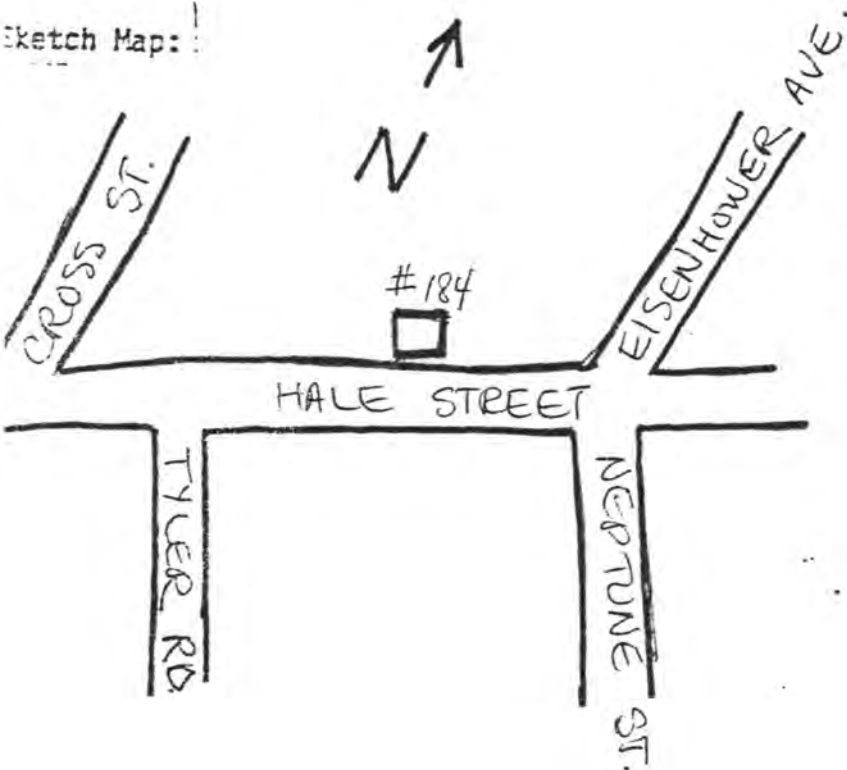
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MASSACHUSETTS HISTORICAL COMMISSION
30 BOYLSTON STREET
BOSTON, MA 02116

PHOTOGRAPHS:

- 54:11 Front and left Facades
54:10 Front and right facades (first-phase single-cell, integral leanto)
54:15 incised authentic date of 1702 on front story post
54:18 rear corner post, end girt, rear leanto rafter of first-phase
54:21 cut rear integral leanto rafters still pegged to extended tie beams
61:04 dovetail mortise for collar beam in principle rafter

Sketch Map:

Town BEVERLY009Address 184 Hale StreetHistoric Name Captain John Thorndike House(Thorndike / Rea House)Use: Present residenceOriginal residence

DESCRIPTION

Date 1702Source dated post headStyle First PeriodArchitect unknownExterior Wall Fabric clapboardOutbuildings shed (non-contributing)

Major Alterations (with dates) 2nd cell added c. 1725; leanto added to second-phase 18th C e. 19th C. (?); right rear lean to raised to shed dormer, ell added.

Condition goodMoved no Date n/aAcreage less than one acreSetting residential, suburban setting onmain route to city center, lined with 18th and19th c. dwellings on small lots - wellestablished streetscapes.Recorded by James KydrianosOrganization Boston UniversityDate May 1986Z E N
M REFERENCE 19 / 347-620 / 4712-810CS QUADRANGLE Marblehead North (now Salem)SCALE 1:25,000

INVENTORY FORM CONTINUATION SHEET

MASSACHUSETTS HISTORICAL COMMISSION
Office of the Secretary, Boston

Community: BEVERLY	Form No: 1
Property Name: John Thorndike House	

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

SIGNIFICANCE

The Captain John Thorndike House retains integrity of location, design, materials and workmanship in its surviving two-phase First Period frame under Criterion C. The three-phase construction of this eighteenth century structure is typical of the growth of many single-cell First-Period houses over time. The evidence of a First Period single-cell integral lean-to house preserved in the right section may provide important information on this rarely-surviving early house form under Criterion D. The two schemes of frame decoration in the two phases provide an excellent illustration of consecutive late First Period decorative techniques.

EXTERIOR DESCRIPTION

The Captain John Thorndike House is a two-and-a-half story, five-bay central chimney clapboarded structure. The original single-cell two- and-a-half story house with integral lean-to received a single-cell two-and-a-half story addition to the left of the chimney late in the First-Period. The new section to the left acquired an added lean-to during the eighteenth century. In the nineteenth or twentieth century, the right two-thirds of the lean-to roof was raised to a shed dormer, and a small two-story gabled ell extended from the right rear.

MAJOR FIRST-PERIOD FEATURES

The two phases of the house exhibit two different late First Period frame decorative schemes. Evidence that the original right first-phase had an integral lean-to is visible on the second floor, where the now cut-off ends of the original rafters are still joined to the extended tie beams. The 15'6" (deep) x 16' first-floor right room exhibits the pine frame and transverse summer beam typical of Beverly First-Period construction. The transverse summer, end girt, and corner posts have bevel chamfers with taper stops. The front story post has molded jowls and the date of "1702" originally carved on the front of the head. The chimney girt has been replaced, and the large fireplace was altered in 1937. The altered kitchen retains evidence of the original rear end corner post. A neighbor claims that the original kitchen lintel is in the Metropolitan Museum in New York; this needs to be verified. The right chamber also has bevel chamfers with taper stops on exposed framing members.

Both floors of the second-phase exhibit fine, late transitional, quirk-beaded exposed framing. The (16' x 16'6") first-floor left room has quirk-beaded transverse summer, girts, and posts, with simple raised-field panelling on the fireplace wall which could be contemporary with the decorated frame. The left chamber has exposed quirk-beaded framing and vertical feather-edged sheathing on the fireplace wall which may be later, as it surrounds a very small fireplace opening.

In the attic, the original integral lean-to roof has pine principal rafters with four purlins. The second pair of rafters in from the right-end has dove-tail mortises for collar beams. The roof pitch in the original section is 50 degrees. The roof over the added left room also has a 50 degree pitch, but the added lean-to has a different pitch visible in the attic and on the exterior of the house.

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HISTORICAL INFORMATION

The house is associated after 1760 with Captain Joseph Rea, grandson of the original owner, and a prominent militia captain, member of the Committee of Correspondence and Safety, and officer in the Continental army who participated in the 1776 Christmas attack on Trenton.

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1/24/90

United States Department of the Interior
National Park Service

National Register of Historic Places
Continuation Sheet

Section number _____ Page _____

Multiple Resource Area
Thematic Group

Name First Period Buildings of Eastern Massachusetts TR
State _____

Nomination/Type of Review

Date/Signature

- 71. Putnam, Deacon Edward, Jr., House
Entered in the National Register
Keeper *Melrose Byers* 3/9/90
Attest _____
- 72. Putnam, James, Jr., House
Entered in the National Register
Keeper *Melrose Byers* 3/9/90
Attest _____
- 73. Ross Tavern **Substantive Review**
Keeper *Betty L. Sawase* 3/9/90
Attest _____
- 74. Sawyer House
Entered in the National Register
Keeper *Melrose Byers* 3/9/90
Attest _____
- 75. Smith House
Entered in the National Register
Keeper *Melrose Byers* 3/9/90
Attest _____
- 76. Smith, Hazadiah, House
Entered in the National Register
Keeper *Melrose Byers* 3/9/90
Attest _____
- 77. Thorndike, Capt. John, House
Entered in the National Register
Keeper *Melrose Byers* 3/9/90
Attest _____
- 78. Titcomb, Benaiah, House
Entered in the National Register
Keeper *Melrose Byers* 3/9/90
Attest _____
- 79. Tufts, Rev. John, House
Entered in the National Register
Keeper *Melrose Byers* 3/9/90
Attest _____
- 80. White--Ellery House
Entered in the National Register
Keeper *Melrose Byers* 3/9/90
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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: Thorndike, Capt. John, 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: 90000195

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 _____



184 Hale Street, Beverly

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Capt John Thorendike H

184 Hale Street

front & rear facades

1985

1st Period Buildings of E. May TR



Beverly, MA
Capt John Throendike House
184 Hale Street
front & left facades
1985

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1985

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184 Hale Street
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near lean to rafters
1985

1st Period Buildings of E. May, TR

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Beverly, MA
Capt + John Pennock No 12:45
1841 Hale Street
cut rear integral
lean-to rafters
1985

1st Accord Budding of E. Ma., TR



Beverly, MA

Capit John Thorncliffe Ho

184 Hale Street

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collar beam in principal
rafters

1985

1st Period Buildings of E. Man, TR

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SEE MAP 33-LOT 33

John Thordike House
184 Hale Street
↑ Tap 22 Lot 202

LEGEND
 PARCEL NUMBERS 1
 ADJACENT MAPS 2
 MATCH LINE

PROPERTY MAP
CITY OF BEVERLY
 ESSEX COUNTY, MASSACHUSETTS
 PREPARED BY
 JAMES W. SEWALL COMPANY OLD TOWN, MAINE
 SCALE 1 INCH = 100 ± FEET

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

Multiple Property Cover Sheet Reference Number: 64000281