

FORM B - BUILDING

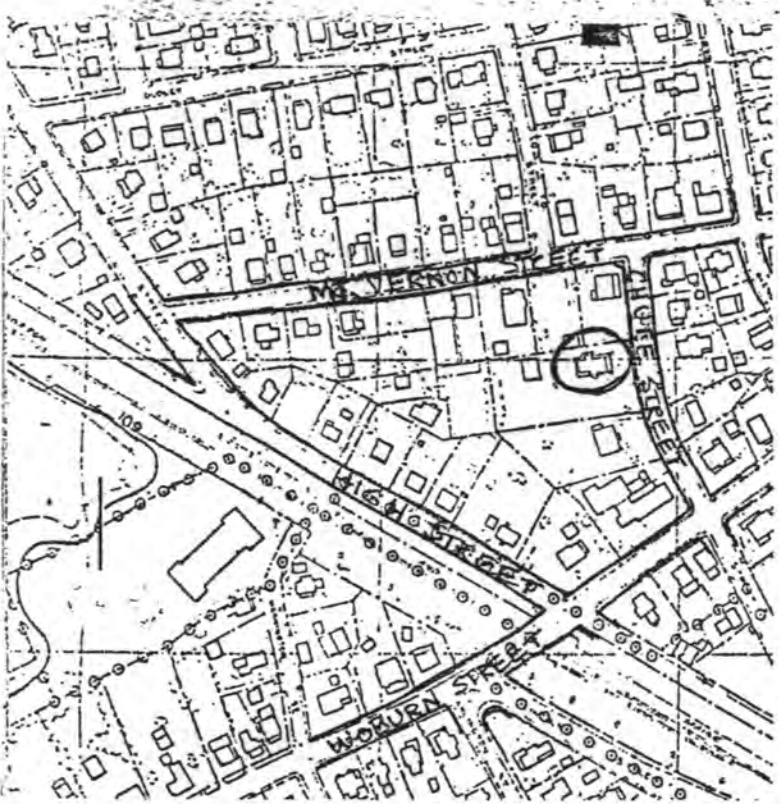
Area <u>C</u>	Form no. <u>184</u>
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MASSACHUSETTS HISTORICAL COMMISSION  
294 Washington Street, Boston, MA 02108

M-17



Reading (#13)  
 Address 42 Chute Street  
 Historic Name Joseph Temple House  
 Original Dwelling  
 Present Dwelling  
 Ownership:  Private individual  
 Private organization  
 Public  
 Original owner Joseph S. Temple



DESCRIPTION:

Date 1872  
 Source Reading Chronicle  
 Style French Second Empire  
 Architect unknown  
 Exterior wall fabric Clapboards  
 Outbuildings Barn

Major alterations (with dates) n/a

Moved no Date \_\_\_\_\_

Approx. acreage 31,050 sq. ft.

Recorded by Architectural Preservation Associates Setting Granite retaining wall  
 Organization Reading Historical Commission

Date November 1980

**REVISED**

Date 6/82

UTM: 19/326760/4709850

(Staple additional sheets here)

ARCHITECTURAL SIGNIFICANCE (describe important architectural features and evaluate in terms of other buildings within community)

This is a richly detailed house for a wealthy family. Its gracefully carved mansard roof is supported by stubby brackets. Crown moldings with dentiled cornices top long windows. The main door has shouldered-architrave trim, while the porch and pilasters are composed of Italianate/Eastlake elements. The decorative slate roof, three-story side bays, and side porches make for a picturesque arrangement.

HISTORICAL SIGNIFICANCE (explain the role owners played in local or state history and how the building relates to the development of the community)

Chute Street, whose name commemorates Daniel Chute, owner of these farmlands, was laid out in 1848. It was the third development in town, and occurred, not coincidentally, after the railroad made both commuting and the quick delivery of manufactured products a reality.

Joseph S. Temple attended, after<sup>a</sup> Reading elementary education, schools at Worcester, Lawrence, Groton, and Andover. After three years in the hide and leather trade, he went into business in 1866 with members of the Damon family. The firm made men's neckties, and was located until 1869 in the Bank Building at 643 Main Street. In 1910 he shifted to another branch of the business, a branch responsible for the manufacturing of 250,000 ties a year, and moved to the YMCA building once at 575 Main Street, which was formerly a part of the old Perkins mansion.

He married Lucia Kingman in 1870. She died in 1880. Temple then married Mary Elizabeth Shepard who later, with her step-daughters, donated Memorial Park, along with other Reading women.

#### BIBLIOGRAPHY and/or REFERENCES

- 1875 map J. S. Temple (Joseph)
- Eaton, Memorial Volume, p. 381
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INVENTORY FORM CONTINUATION SHEET

MASSACHUSETTS HISTORICAL COMMISSION  
Office of the Secretary, Boston

Community: Reading	Form No: C-184
Property Name: 42 Chute St.	

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

• CRITERIA FOR EVALUATION

The Joseph Temple house is significant (1) for its connection with important local tie manufacturer Joseph S. Temple; and (2) as a good example of Second Empire architecture. It retains integrity of location, design, setting, materials, workmanship, and feeling, and meets Criteria B and C of the National Register.

Staple to Inventory form at bottom

United States Department of the Interior  
National Park Service

National Register of Historic Places  
Inventory—Nomination Form

For NPS use only

received 6/14/84  
date entered

Continuation sheet

Item number

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Multiple Resource Area  
Thematic Group

Name Reading Multiple Resource Area  
State Middlesex County, MASSACHUSETTS

Nomination/Type of Review

Date/Signature

81. Sanborn, Rev. Peter, House  
Entered in the  
National Register

for Keeper Melrose Byrum 7-19-84  
Attest \_\_\_\_\_

82. Symonds, Thomas, House  
Entered in the  
National Register

for Keeper Melrose Byrum 7-19-84  
Attest \_\_\_\_\_

83. Temple, Joseph, House  
Entered in the  
National Register

for Keeper Melrose Byrum 7-19-84  
Attest \_\_\_\_\_

84. Temple, Mark, House  
Entered in the  
National Register

for Keeper Melrose Byrum 7-19-84  
Attest \_\_\_\_\_

85. Walnut Street School  
Entered in the  
National Register

for Keeper Melrose Byrum 7-19-84  
Attest \_\_\_\_\_

86. Wells, Charles, House  
Entered in the  
National Register

for Keeper Melrose Byrum 7-19-84  
Attest \_\_\_\_\_

87. Weston, Ephrain, House  
Entered in the  
National Register

for Keeper Melrose Byrum 7-19-84  
Attest \_\_\_\_\_

88. Weston, Jabez, House  
Entered in the  
National Register

for Keeper Melrose Byrum 7-19-84  
Attest \_\_\_\_\_

89. Wisteria Lodge  
Entered in the  
National Register

for Keeper Melrose Byrum 7-19-84  
Attest \_\_\_\_\_  
Keeper \_\_\_\_\_  
Attest \_\_\_\_\_

NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES  
EVALUATION/RETURN SHEET

Temple, Joseph, House (Reading MRA)  
Middlesex County  
MASSACHUSETTS

Working No. JUN 4 1984  
Fed. Reg. Date: 2/5/85  
Date Due: 7-5-84 / 7-19/84  
Action:  ACCEPT 7-19-84  
 RETURN  
 REJECT  
Federal Agency: \_\_\_\_\_

- resubmission
- nomination by person or local government
- owner objection
- appeal

Entered in the \_\_\_\_\_  
National Register \_\_\_\_\_

Substantive Review:  sample  request  appeal  NR decision

Reviewer's comments:

Recom./Criteria \_\_\_\_\_  
Reviewer \_\_\_\_\_  
Discipline \_\_\_\_\_  
Date \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_ see continuation sheet

Nomination returned for: \_\_\_\_\_ technical corrections cited below  
\_\_\_\_\_ substantive reasons discussed below

1. Name

2. Location

3. Classification

Category	Ownership Public Acquisition	Status Accessible	Present Use

4. Owner of Property

5. Location of Legal Description

6. Representation in Existing Surveys

Has this property been determined eligible?  yes  no

7. Description

Condition		Check one	Check one
<input type="checkbox"/> excellent	<input type="checkbox"/> deteriorated	<input type="checkbox"/> unaltered	<input type="checkbox"/> original site
<input type="checkbox"/> good	<input type="checkbox"/> ruins	<input type="checkbox"/> altered	<input type="checkbox"/> moved date _____
<input type="checkbox"/> fair	<input type="checkbox"/> unexposed		

Describe the present and original (if known) physical appearance

- summary paragraph
- completeness
- clarity
- alterations/integrity
- dates
- boundary selection

**8. 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



**9. Major Bibliographical References**

**10. Geographical Data**

Acreege of nominated property \_\_\_\_\_

Quadrangle name \_\_\_\_\_

UTM References \_\_\_\_\_

Verbal boundary description and justification \_\_\_\_\_

**11. Form Prepared By**

**12. State Historic Preservation Officer Certification**

The evaluated significance of this property within the state is:

\_\_\_\_ national      \_\_\_\_ state      \_\_\_\_ local

State Historic Preservation Officer signature \_\_\_\_\_

title \_\_\_\_\_ date \_\_\_\_\_

**13. Other**

- Maps
- Photographs
- Other

Questions concerning this nomination may be directed to \_\_\_\_\_

Signed \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_



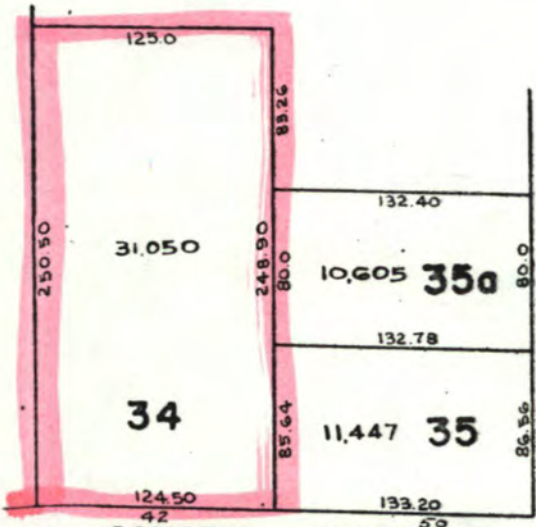
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Reading, MA, MA

42 Chute St.

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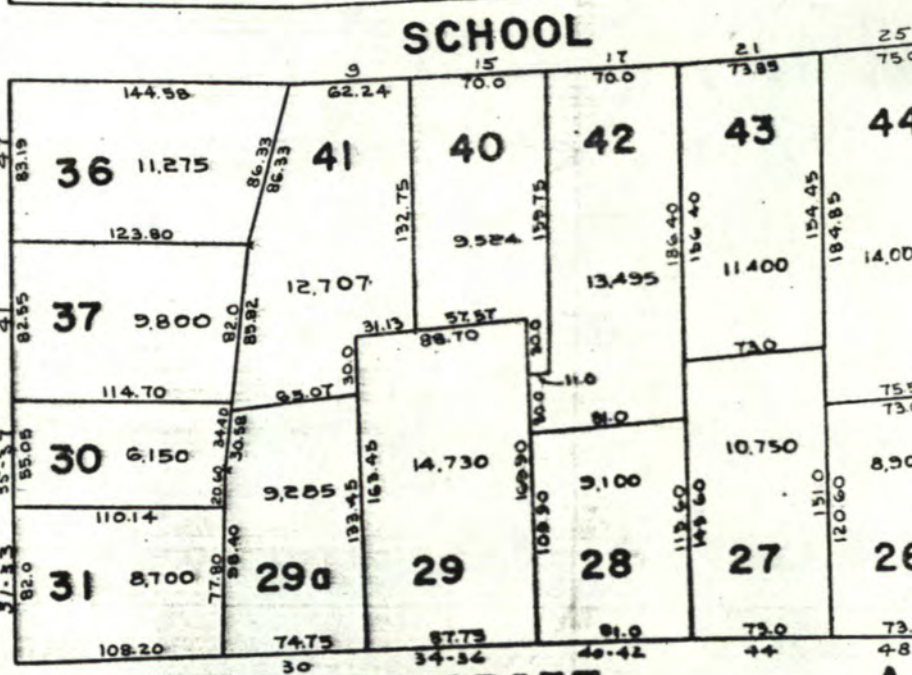


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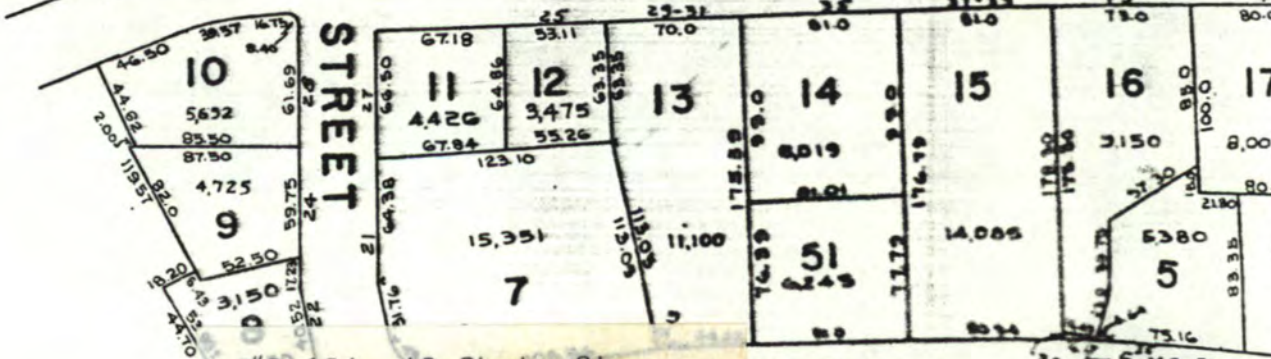
CHUTE STREET

MT. VERNON



BANCROFT

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STREET

KINGSTON

#C-184 42 Chute St.  
 Map 74, Lot 34  
 1983 Assessors Map  
 1" = 100'

PLAT 64

PLAT 75

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

Multiple Property Cover Sheet Reference Number: 64000290