

FORM B - BUILDING

MASSACHUSETTS HISTORICAL COMMISSION  
Office of the Secretary, State House

In Area no.	Form no. 455
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City Lexington

Address 183 Waltham Street

Name Frank Peabody House

Present use Private House

Present owner Henry Rosemont

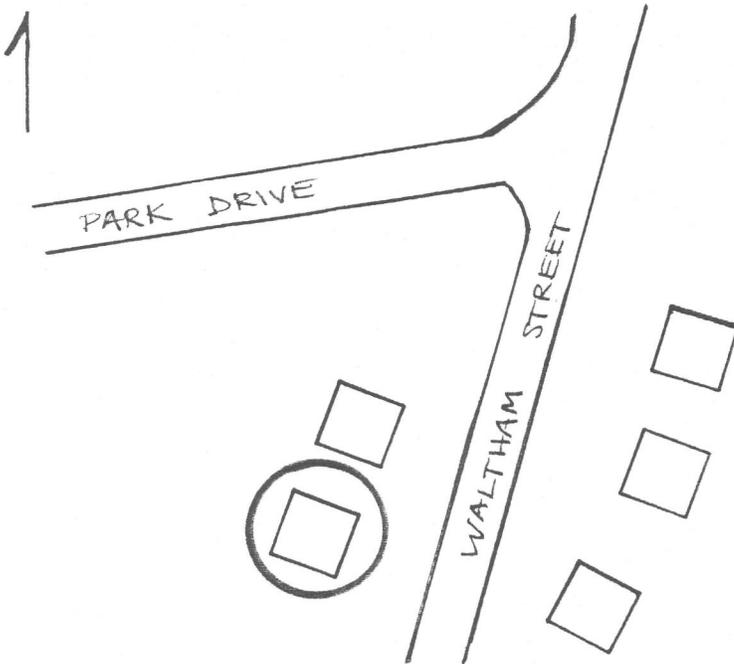
Description:

1895

Source Lexington Minute Man, June 14, 1895

Shingle Style

4. Map. Draw sketch of building location in relation to nearest cross streets and other buildings. Indicate north.



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USGS Quadrant \_\_\_\_\_  
MHC Photo no. \_\_\_\_\_

Architect \_\_\_\_\_

Exterior wall fabric Brown shingle, white trim

Outbuildings (describe) \_\_\_\_\_

Other features Foundation stone & granite edges - gambrel roof with cross gable

(Over)

Altered \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Moved \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

5. Lot size:

One acre or less 8500 ft.<sup>2</sup> Over one acre \_\_\_\_\_

Approximate frontage 65'

Approximate distance of building from street  
20'

6. Recorded by Grady, Schwemmer; Anne Grady

Organization Lexington Historical Commission

Date April 14, 1976; April, 1984

(over)

7. Original owner (if known) Frank Peabody

Original use \_\_\_\_\_

Subsequent uses (if any) and dates \_\_\_\_\_

8. Themes (check as many as applicable)

Aboriginal	_____	Conservation	_____	Recreation	_____
Agricultural	_____	Education	_____	Religion	_____
Architectural	<u>x</u>	Exploration/ settlement	_____	Science/ invention	_____
The Arts	_____	Industry	_____	Social/ humanitarian	_____
Commerce	_____	Military	_____	Transportation	_____
Communication	_____	Political	_____		
Community development	_____				

9. Historical significance (include explanation of themes checked above)

4 owners -  
balustrade (over entry porch).

2nd floor overhangs  
Front 1 storey bay window with stained glass -small stained glass windows near fireplace-porch around front with clustered columns, **palladian** window, 3rd story - oval window with 4 keystones & leaded. Leaded glass side lights (frosted at front door) saw toothed shingle line.

Interior-  
Small bay on stairs.  
Gum wood panelling restored by present owners (like house on Oakland, & 50 Bloomfield)

Window seats in each bedroom  
Tile hearth and fire place  
Small bay at back too

The house was built, according to the local newspaper, by Frank Peabody, secretary of the Pierce and Winn Coal and Wood Company located across from the depot.

10. Bibliography and/or references (such as local histories, deeds, assessor's records, early maps, etc.)

Lexington Minute Man, June 14, 1895.

INVENTORY FORM CONTINUATION SHEET

MASSACHUSETTS HISTORICAL COMMISSION  
Office of the Secretary, Boston

Community: Lexington	Form No: 455
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Indicate each item on inventory form which is being continued below.

ARCHITECTURAL SIGNIFICANCE

This is one of half-a-dozen widely-scattered late nineteenth century houses in Lexington in which the major design feature is an oversize gambrel roof which extends down over the second level. (The feature was called a duplex gambrel in a contemporary description of the house at 2 Oakland Street.) This house incorporates Queen Anne <sup>and Colonial Revival</sup> details: palladian window, stained glass windows, <sup>oval window,</sup> porch with clustered columns, etc.

*See also 50 Bloomfield St. (#484)*

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