

Providence Preservation Society

Records of

Plat 68

Lot 334

40 COMMON STREET

Built by Thomas S. Doran c. 1846

- 1845 On January 24 Eunice D. Metcalf and Sophia Metcalf, executors of the estate of Jesse Metcalf, sell to Thomas S. Doran for \$200 ... a certain lot of land lying in that part of said Providence called Smith's Hill and numbered eighty-seven on the plat and recorded in Book number three. Said lot being bounded Northerly on Common Street on which it measures 100 feet; Westerly on land belonging to the heirs of Jesse Metcalf on which it measures 45 feet, southerly on land also belonging to the heirs of the said Jesse Metcalf on which it measures 100 feet and easterly on Jefferson Street on which it measures 45 feet (Deed Book 91.517).
- 1847 Providence Directory for 1847-48 lists Thomas S. Doran, a laborer, at 28 Jefferson Street; he has previously lived (1844 Directory), off Smith Street.
- 1850 On April 24 Thomas S. Doran sells to John B. Hennessey for \$1200 ... a certain lot of land with all the Buildings and Improvements thereon Being the same lot of land that was conveyed to the Grantor ... by Eunice D. Metcalf and Sophia Metcalf (Deed Book 118.136).
- 1854 Tax Ledger A1.248 shows a house valued at \$900 on 4500 square feet of land valued at \$300. (This lot is originally Lot 447 on Plat 3. Owner is listed as Doran, but the property has already been sold to Hennessey.)
- 1856 Property is owned by John B. Hennessey and wife; building value is \$1200 (TL A1.375).
- 1867 Albert Briggs owns property.
- 1875 Now known as Lot 723 on Plat 68.
- 1879 Erastus N. Steere Heirs
- 1882 Mary S. Farnum wife C. W. (Glocester)
- 1923 On June 6 Howard W. Farnum grants to Cedia Girard for \$100 ... that certain lot of land ... at the southwesterly corner of Common and Jefferson Streets. (It is) lot number one on the plat entitled "Map of the Division of the E. N. Steere, deceased, Estate on Common, Jefferson and Carrol Streets surveyed and platted April 1874, replatted January 1882 by N. B. Schubarth" which said plat is on record ... in plat book 15 page 41 ... and on plat card 436. Said lot contains ... 4556 square feet more or less (DB 340.642).

Subsequent owners (now Lot 334 on Plat 68) include:

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| 1923 Alfred J. Crowell and wife Ellen T., JT | 1965 William C. Penman |
| 1939 James McManus and wf Josephine JT | 1967 George F. Hoey (WB 13.527) |
| 1948 William C. Penman | 1968 Donald S. Wrathall (DB 1150.131) |
| 1964 William C. Penman Estate | |

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