1889 R. Oscar Burgess, a travelling salesman operating out of 4 Exchange Place, buys from George E. Boyden property on the corner of High Street (now Westminster Street) and Parade Street, described as "being the Northerly end of lots numbered . . . (1) and . . . (2) on a Plat of Land belonging to the Dexter Donation surveyed and platted November 1843 by Atwater & Schubarth and copied June 30, 1852 by Schubarth & Haines which plat is recorded in plat book 2 at page 7 and on plat card 52 in the Office of the Recorder of Deeds . . ."; the dimensions of the lot are described as "commencing at the corner of said streets thence running Southerly . . . (114.35) feet to land now or formerly of Ennie Horton with the line of said Parade Street thence Easterly with said Horton land . . . (60.03) feet to a corner thence Northerly . . . (105.38) feet to the Southerly line of High Street thence Westerly . . . (125) feet to the place of beginning" (Deed Book 355.349).

1889 Tax records from December of that same year show no building on the property recently acquired by Burgess (Tax Ledger E2.171).

1890 In June Burgess is taxed for an unfinished building valued at $2,500 (Tax Ledger E2.171).

1891 In June the following year Burgess is taxed for a newly constructed building valued at $12,500 (Tax Ledger E2.178).

In the twentieth century the property is acquired by the following people:

1929 Margaret Schiller
1944 John and Vittoria DeCesare
1946 Anthony and Alice Viola, Jr.
1974 Richard A. Viola
1976 Anthony and Alice Viola, Jr.

Susan V. Donaldson
March, 1977