

PROVIDENCE PRESERVATION SOCIETY

Records of

#344 BENEFIT STREET

Flat 16  
Lot 90

Built 1826 - 1830...By Austin Gurney

#182 in 1844

#278 in 1847

#344 in 1866

- 1776 William West sells for 108 L lawful money to Nicholas Cooke a certain lot of land lying in Providence and bounded: E by Benefit Street 159'; N by grantor and the School Lot 191'; W by Burying Lot and a small Dwelling House of Lydia Carr; S by Rebecca Williams...being all the land I purchased of David Low (Law) in 1775...Deed Book 19.282
- 1785 Joseph Cooke et al heirs of Nicholas Cooke quit claim to Jesse Cooke...also 1 other piece of land lying in said Providence, being Lot #1 in the Plat of the division of the land by the School House, so-called, bounded: E by Benefit Street; S by Lot #2 conveyed to Asa Waterman; N by School Lot 95½'; W partly by Lot #4 and partly by the Powers' Burying Ground..DB 19.511
- 1798 CHASE NOTES: Jesse Cooke, heirs of...E on Benefit Street, a lot 45'..N on Jonathan Carlile 102'.
- 1826 Joseph S Cooke, heir of Jesse Cooke, sells for \$800 to Austin Gurney, lumber, a lot of land in the S/ly part of Providence bounded; E on Benefit Street 40'; S by the Estate of Charles Lippitt; W by Dr. Pardon Bowen and Samuel Carlile 40'; N by John Carlile formerly Mrs Carey 80' to 90'..DB 52.231
- 1830 Austin Gurney and/or family here and until 1858.. Providence Directory
- 1852 POLICY RECORD: Austin Gurney...W side Benefit Street...brick.. 25' x 36'...3 stories high in front...3½ in rear...occupied for a DWELLING HOUSE...Policy Record 48.20885
- 1857 Austin Gurney sells to Jonathan Pike a lot of land in Providence with a Brick Dwelling House and other improvements... being the same conveyed to me by Joseph S Cooke in 1826. Deed Book 146.413

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#344 BENEFIT STREET...continued

- 1859 DEFAULT of MORTGAGE: Providence Institution of Savings sells for \$7000 at public auction to T P Ives and R H Ives, the highest bidders, all that land with a Brick Dwelling House on the W side of Benefit Street, having the same bounds as DB 146.413 (Mtg 10.257)...Deed Book 154.131
- 1859 Wingate Hayes, counsellor, lived here for the first time and until 1880...Providence Directory
- 1860 Robert H Ives and Thomas P Ives, sell for \$7000 to Wingate Haynes all that lot of land with the Brick Dwelling House being the same lot of land conveyed to Austin Gurney by Joseph S Cooke in 1826...Deed Book 155.353
- 1880 Edwin Aldrich, attorney, and/or family lived here and until 1921 Providence Directory
- 1881 Charles Matteson and Henry Staples, trustees u/w Wingate Hayes sell the above property to Edwin Aldrich having the same bounds as DB 155.353...Deed Book 312.272
- 1905 Property was taxed to the following persons in the year shown:
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|------|-------------------------------|-------------|-----------------------------|
| 1905 | Hattie H Chappell             | 1934        | Ralph H Page                |
| 1923 | Agnes B Canfield wife of Wm H | 1943        | Robert P Sweet              |
| 1923 | Chas H Page & wife Ellen M    | 1944        | Wm J LeBlanc & wife Mildred |
| 1932 | Ellen M Page wid Charles      | 1944        | Shelley Realty Corp.        |
|      | 1945                          | Ralph Sacco |                             |
- 1965 Ralph Sacco sells to Benice M Webber and Sherry Webber that lot of land with all buildings and improvements thereon standing... Bounded: E by Benefit Street 43.93'; N by Richard Godfrey 84.11'; W by Richard Godfrey and Vittoria Almonte 43.46'; S by Wayside Realty Company...Deed Book 1131.592

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The Governor Jackson Estate

Corner Benefit & Power Sts



" This is really a double house...the corner house is occupied by Edgars S Thayer sheriff..formerly occupied by Moses' Richardson and was built in 1778...the other end was built in 1828. This property purchased by Marsden Perry..the houses to be razed to make room for Mr Perry's stables. "

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