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Records of

#38 CHARLES FIELD STREET

Built by Robert Purkis in 1845

1828 Martha Howell, heir of Wait Smith, sells for $46.11 to Robert Purkis, mariner, a certain lot of land bounded: S by Charles Field Street 55' 4"; W by grantee 100'; N by --- 45'; E by Luther Bushee 100'. Deed Book 56:2

→1845 POLICY RECORD: Robert Purkis...N side Charles Field Street...wood...27' x 33'...addition 18' x 20'...all 2 stories high. Occupied for a DWELLING HOUSE...PR Vol 31...#12876.

1847 John H Purkis, mariner, Robert Purkis, mariner, Robert Purkis, tailor, listed here...Prov. Dir.

1865 WILL: Robert Purkis..."all my estate both real and personal to my wife Mary A Purkis, after her decease I direct my estate with all buildings and improvements thereon situated, on the N/ly side of Charles Field Street and E/ly from my Homestead Estate, and now in the occupancy of George "Hill, now numbered #39 on said street to be sold by my executor" (John H Purkis, son) Wills 21:182

1868 John H Purkis, executor u/w Robert Purkis, sells to Mary A Purkis the lot of land with a Dwelling House and other buildings and improvements thereon situated, next E from the Homestead Estate of Robert Purkis, deceased, being the estate now in occupancy of Asa K Potter bounded: S by Charles Field Street 50'; W by the Homestead Estate of Robert Purkis 100'; N by John Calder 45'; E by John Calder 100'...being the E/ly portion of lot #12 (later #438) on Assessor's Plat #12 and being the same premises conveyed to me by deed from John H Purkis of even date...Deed Book 182:135

1868 Mary Ann Purkis sells the above property to Mary E Purkis, wife of John H Purkis..."being the same premises conveyed to me by deed from John H Purkis of even date...Deed Book 182:135"

1872 WILL: Mary E Purkis:..."all my property to my husband John H Purkis after his demise (to be divided equally) to my children...Wills 24:26

1902 Heirs-at-law of Mary E Purkis quit claim the above property to Charles A Purkis, being the same land conveyed to Mary E Purkis in 1868... (Deed Book 182:135)...Deed Book 144:387

NOW Plat 12 Lot 438

1905 Charles A Purkis sells to Alice A Vaughn a certain lot of land with more....
all buildings and other improvements thereon situated bounded: S by Charles Field Street 50'; W by Robert Purkis herein 100.63'; N by CM Brown and William Andrews 2nd 45"; E by William Andrews 2nd 100.25'.

Deed Book 469.332

1946 Charles F. Vaughn et al quit claim to Brown University that parcel of land with all buildings and improvements thereon situated: S by Charles Field Street 50'; W by John R. Frazier 100.63'; N by grantor 45'; E by Robert P. Brown jr 100.25'. being the same as Deed Book 469.332.

(Other properties included in this deed)...Deed Book 901.338

1950 This building moved by Brown University across the street now becoming #38 CHARLES FIELD STREET...Plat 16...Lot 597

Mary A. Gowdey
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