

PROVIDENCE PRESERVATION SOCIETY

Records of

Plat 10
Lot 346

#22 CUSHING STREET

Ell Built 1839-1842 by John Brown...Ell enlarged and House Built 1852...By Owen Smith. Thomas Tefft, architect.

1839 James Johnson sells for \$95 to John Brown (a colored man) 1 undivided half part of a certain lot of land, being #26 on a ~~certain~~ plot of land platted for Daniel Cushing by Daniel Anthony in 1816 (see map) and it is understood that the $\frac{1}{2}$ part of said lot hereby intended to be granted is the W/ly $\frac{1}{2}$ part of lot #26...DB 75.262

1842 John Brown of Providence "for and in consideration of certain good, causes me moving" sells and conveys to Ezra W^o Howard a certain lot of land, being the W/ly $\frac{1}{2}$ part of Lot #26 on the aforesaid plat... the WHOLE is bounded S by a 40' street 50'; W by Lot #25; N by heirs of Thomas L Halsey 50'; E by Lot #27...together with a DWELLING HOUSE and other improvements thereon...subject to mortgage...discharged in 1852...Deed Book 81.310

1847 John Brown, laborer, listed here...Prov. Directory

1851 ~~Ezra Howard~~ conveys the above property to Edward D Pearce in trust for the use and benefit of Harriet wife of John Brown and conveys by deed that said trustee should have the right to sell said premises or any part thereof as said Harriet Brown should advise and direct in writing...Deed Book 129.144

1852 POLICY RECORD: Edward D Pearce, trustee of Harriet Brown...wood.. 16' x 23'...2 stories high...occupied for a Dwelling House... PR Vol 45.19560 (Policy transferred to Smith Owen in 1862)

1852 Edward D Pearce, trustee of Harriet Brown, by virtue of the power vested in me, sells for \$1500 to Smith Owen a certain lot of land on Prospect Hill, so-called, together with a Dwelling House and other improvements thereon standing and being...Bounded: S by Cushing Street 25'; W by Owen's land 80'; N by Thomas Shepard 25' (divided by a fence) E by the remaining part of Lot #26 80'.

* 1852 See SPECIFICATIONS for a House for SmithOwen on Cushing Street.

1853 POLICY RECORD: Smith Owen...Cushing Street...wood..22' x 16'... addition 16' x 31 $\frac{1}{2}$ '...all 2 stories high...occupied as a Dwelling House..PR Vol 50.21899

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#22 CUSHING STREET...continued.....

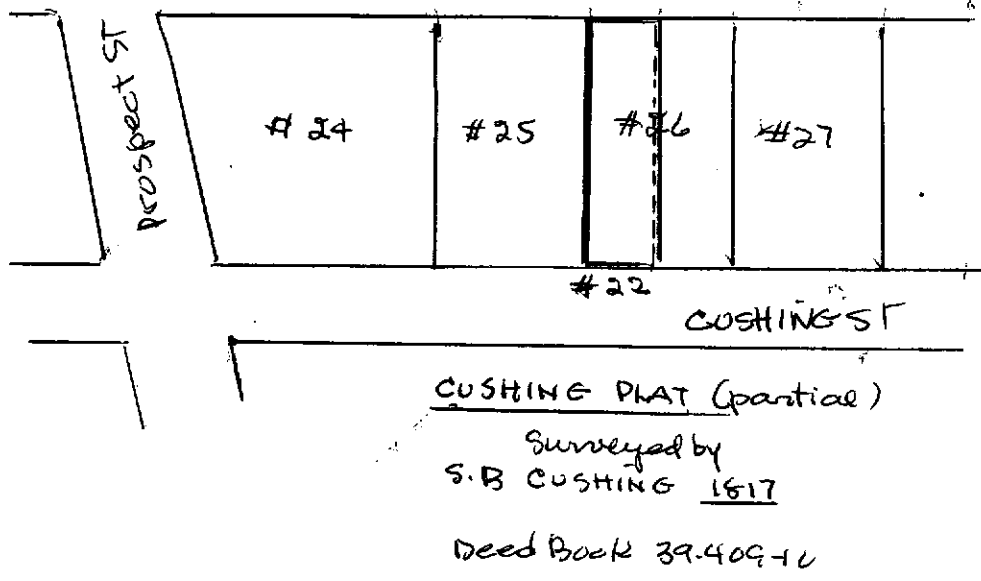
1854 TAX LEDGER...Smith Owen...Plat 10...Lot 346...Value of Land \$12,184
Value of Building \$2000...TL A 2.183

1857 TAX LEDGER...Smith Owen...Plat 10...Lot 346...Value of Land \$8,800
Value of Building \$4000...TL A 2.183

WILL: Smith Owen...

WILL: Lydia Owen Beckwith..."I give and devise my house at #22
Cushing Street in said Providence and the lot on which the same is
situated to Mary Abigail Jack (cousin)...Wills 49696

1961 Emma Rosemary Jack (sister of Mary A Jack) sells to Martha S Park-
hurst that parcel of land with all improvements thereon on the N/ly
side of Cushing Street...bounded: S by Cushing Street 29.14'; W by
Henry A Street jr 80.83'; N by Brown University 28'; E by Oliver
G Pratt 42.20' and 38.77'. The S/W corner of the conveyed property
is 127.46' W E of Prospect Street...Deed Book 1107.1065



Mary A Gowdey
March 1971

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#23 CUSHING STREET
~~(formerly #22)~~

Ell built
1839-42 by
John Brown

— SMITH OWEN HOUSE...Built 1852...Thomas Tefft, arch.

1971 Excerpts from data relative to the above house in the possession of Mrs Sylvia (Godfrey) Street

1851 Owen Smith lived at this address with his wife and two daughters until ~~186~~ 1871 when he moved to Prospect & Cushings Street.

1852 ~~Mrs~~ Owen: "Our estimate is for building house as per plans and specifications Drawn by Mr Tefft, eleven thousand Six Hundred and fifty Dollars..(\$11,650) Providence May 25/52"

(Signed) Fanning & Budlong

1852 Thomas Tefft, architect

1852 Fanning & Budlong, contractors

* "Specifications for a House for Smith Owen on Cushing Street!..The house which is now on the lot is 16' x 23' and is to be moved back and lengthened out to 31' x 6" to make the present addition. The height of the stories to remain the same as at Present, the windows to be worked in as far as they will go, taking the doors for the attic of the new part from them.....It is expected all parts to be completely finished in a faithful manner...all to be plastered by October 1852...." / ~~Complete specifications in detail~~ ~~for the house~~ /...The windows in front of the building to be 12 lighted ...9" x 16" in first story and 9" x 15" in the chambers...sash 13/8" thick with glazed first ^{grade} French glass. The architraves in the parlour to run to the floor with a panel under the window. Outside blinds 1 1/8" thick in both old and new part...the front stairs framed into posts with a ramp at the bottom newel...turned balusters 2" post rails and ---mitred into the strings. Back stairs from celler to attic built between partitions...steps of Southern hard pine....(Complete specifications in detail given)

Fanning & Budlong