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Old Resident Dies, Born On Point

Mrs. Angelia F. Nickerson Passes Away At Ripe Age Of 88

Mrs. Angelia Freeman Nickerson, one of the old-time residents of Provincetown and born in the now almost legendary Long Point settlement died at midnight last night at her home at 93 Commercial Street after a long illness at the age of 88. Her next birthday would have been in July.

Mrs. Nickerson was born, lived her girlhood years and received her early education in the Long Point village which was once a small but flourishing fishing hamlet on what is now the barren hook of the end of Cape Cod. The large, barn-like school and the 30 or so houses were later moved across the bay to Provincetown where they still stand and serve. Mrs. Nickerson was the daughter of Prince and Eliza Horton Freeman. Her father engaged in seining and off-shore fishing.

She married Captain Joshua Nickerson, who for a long time was one of the active whalers from this port and who later acquired a steamer for fishing. He died in 1927. Throughout her life Mrs. Nickerson was an active, interested worker for her Church of The Redeemer.

The Prince Freeman House Built 1818 and floated across from Long Pt. Picture taken Sept. 1951

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Aaron Shaw told me a tale recently that is part of the West End folklore. It is only one of the stories told about Mrs, Henry Spears, who lived long ago near Point Street, Date: the day after the gale. (1898)

Among the many Provincetowners drawn by the universal urge to view the scene of death, she watched from her windows while men cut frozen bodies out of the Jordan L. Mott's rigging, From that time on, she kept the shades drawn on every window facing the harbor.



Facing East. Point Street, bottom left - 1921 -