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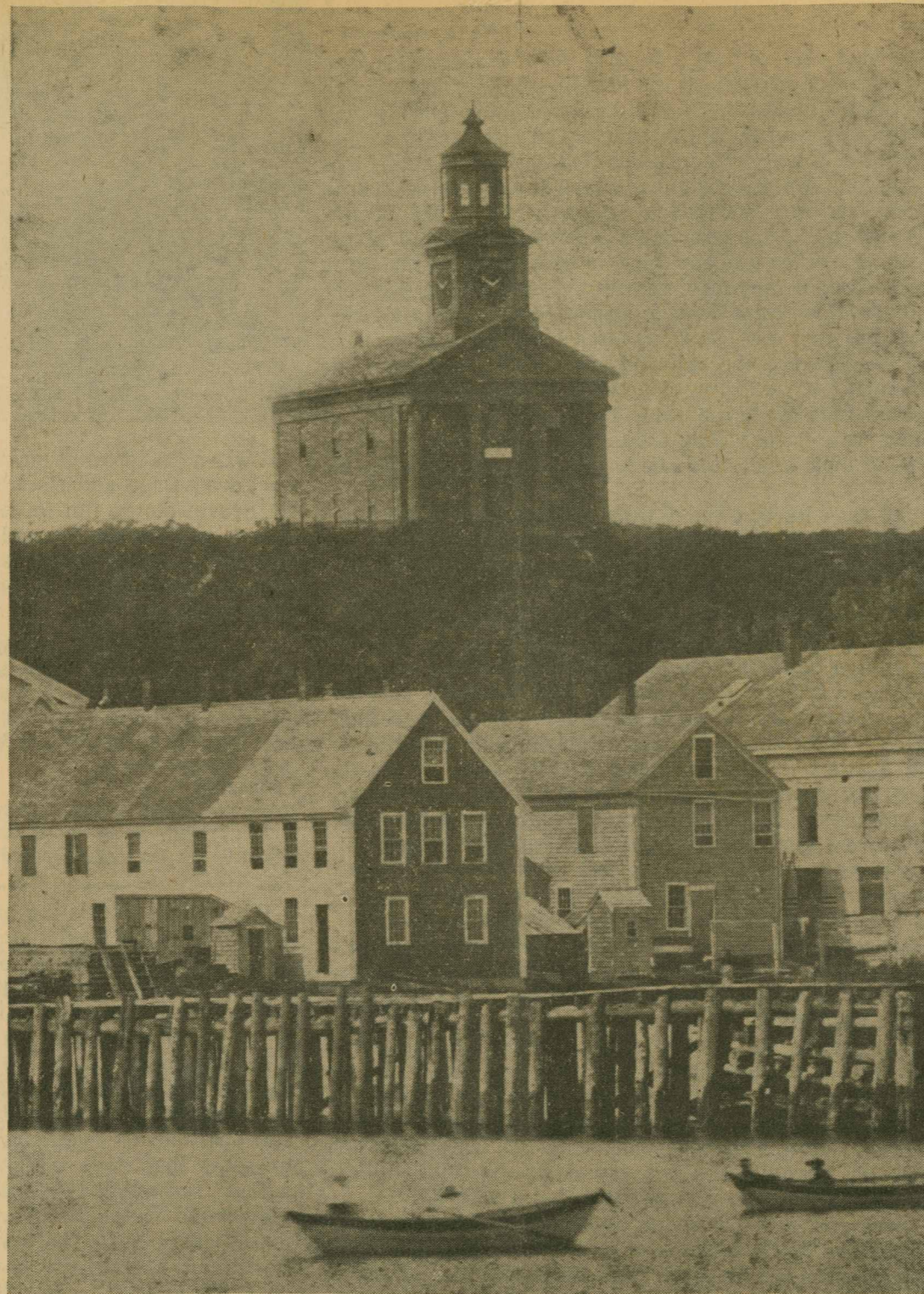
Urge Town Hall Be Preserved

In discussion of the elimination of the Second District Court here, now housed in Town Hall, a majority of members of the Provincetown Civic Association expressed sentiment for retaining the present Town Hall in preference to tearing it down to build a new one.

At their December meeting in the parish hall of the Church of St. Mary of the Harbor, association members also suggested investigation of the use of other buildings for additional Town Hall office space. Specifically mentioned were the quarters of the present Art Cinema, next door to Town Hall, and a building on the corner of Bradford and Gosnold Streets.

PROVINCETOWN, MASS.

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 12, 1968



G.H. Nickerson took this picture of Provincetown Town Hall perhaps an even hundred years ago. The combination high school and town hall, built in 1851 at a cost of \$14,300, dominated the village from High Pole Hill until it burned to the ground in 1872. Not until 1912 did the Pilgrim Monument replace it as a landmark and sea mark. Of the three buildings in the foreground two still stand. At the right is the Central House, now the Crown and Anchor Inn. Next is the house where, in 1910, Hannah Crocker Curran had her millinery shop. The third building gave way to the present movie theatre. The wharf is the Colonial.

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February 26, 1883

We hope some smart fellow will make his fortune here by establishing gas works and supplying us with a clean and convenient way of lighting our stores and houses. The attempt by a reliable, energetic man to do this would we believe, be warmly seconded by the community. We repeat what we have so often asserted that no town is better situated for the laying of gas pipes, the houses being compactly located.

NEW BEACON - Mar. 27, 1963

Selectmen Approve New Lighting System

The Board of Selectmen, at their Monday night executive session, gave their approval to the Cape and Vineyard Electric Company to install 31 new mercury vapor street lights in the center of town on Commercial Street from Winthrop to Pearl Street. It was pointed out that the lights will give twice as much light as the present lights for only about 48c more per light.

J. R. Ham of the Cape and Vineyard Company, when contacted at his office, said that although he has only had verbal approval from the board, he estimates that work on the project might get underway within a month. He pointed out that a special truck and fixtures were needed for the work.