

MASSACHUSETTS HISTORICAL COMMISSION FORM B - BUILDING

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MASSACHUSETTS ARCHIVES BUILDING
220 MORRISSEY BLVD
BOSTON, MA 02125

Photograph

(3"x3" or 3-1/2"x5" black and white only) Label photo on back with town and property address. Record film roll and negative numbers here on the form. Staple photo to left side of form over this space. Attach additional photos to continuation sheets.

Roll	Negative(s)



Sketch Map

Draw a map showing the building's location in relation to the nearest cross streets and/or major natural features. Show all buildings between inventoried building and nearest intersection or natural feature. Label streets including route numbers, if any. Circle and number the inventoried building. Indicate

Town Provincetown
Place (neighborhood or village)
Address 191 COMMERCIAL ST
Building ID 482
Parcel No. (PID) 11-1-008-0
Mapbase # 11-1-008
Building Area 2705.212
Historic Name
Present Use Commercial
Original Use Commercial
Date of Construction 1840-1858
Source maps and atlases
Style/Form Italianate, Vernacular
Architect/Builder
Exterior Material Clapboard
Foundation brick, concrete block
Wall/Trim wood
Roof Front Gable
Outbuildings/Secondary Structures

Major Alterations (with dates)

Modern storefront windows

Condition Good
Moved no yes **Date**
Acreage 0.087
Setting

Recorded by Vanessa Zeoli
Organization Kise Straw & Kolodner
Date (month/year) September 2003
Form Status new update
Assessor's Number **USGS Quad** **Area(s)** **Form Number**

Follow Massachusetts Historical Commission Survey Manual instructions for completing this form.

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ARCHITECTURAL DESCRIPTION

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Describe architectural features. Evaluate the characteristics of this building in terms of other buildings in the community.

191 Commercial St. is a 2-story, 6-bay, vernacular Italianate-style, gable-front with flat-roof ell commercial building; gable-front roof is sheathed in asphalt shingles, partial cornice returns, flat-roof section likely has a built-up roof, interior concrete block chimney on modern addition; exterior is clad in clapboard siding with wood trim; building sits on a brick foundation; fenestration includes 6/6 and 2/2 wood DHS, 6/6 vinyl DHS, storefront has large-pane plate glass display windows with wood frames; two primary entrances are recessed between canted display windows and are accessed by wood pane-and-panel doors; storefront cornice is supported by paired scroll-sawn brackets; a modern addition on a concrete block foundation extends from the south façade.

HISTORICAL NARRATIVE

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Discuss the history of the building. Explain its associations with local (or state) history. Include uses of the building, and the role(s) the owners/occupants played within the community.

As per Tom Boland (1994): The site is shown on an 1858 atlas as having been a barber shop. In 1880, it is listed as owned by A. McCool and was used as a store house. In the 1889 directory it lists an H.C. Holmes, stove dealer in the location. This use continued until at least 1907, when a William B. Bangs sold stoves, tinware and plumbing here.

Unlike many buildings on Commercial Street, this building retains a significant example of an early storefront configuration.

BIBLIOGRAPHY and/or REFERENCES

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Barnstable County Atlas., 1880.
Barnstable County Atlas., 1907.
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Resident Directory. W.H. Hopkins, 1889.

Recommended for listing in the National Register of Historic Places. *If checked, you must attach a completed National Register Criteria Statement form.*