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MASSACHUSETTS HISTORICAL COMMISSION
80 BOYLSTON STREET
BOSTON, MA 02116

Photos

- 34:14 southwest corner, west chamber
- 34:17 detail, summer beam at exterior wall, west room
- 34:19 detail, summer beam at fireplace wall, west end
- 34:21 right-hand (east) room
- 34:24A historic photo
- 35:1 exterior

Town Topsfield 009

Address 73 Prospect Street

Historic Name Zaccheus Gould House

Use: Present Residence

Original Residence

DESCRIPTION

Date ca. 1670

Source Visual analysis; Topsfield Historical Collections: 8

Style 1st Period core w/2nd Period overlay

Architect Unknown

Exterior Wall Fabric Clapboards

Outbuildings Barn, ca. 1910

Major Alterations (with dates) Left-hand portion added ca. 1700

Condition Good

Moved No Date N/A

Acreage 7.3 acres

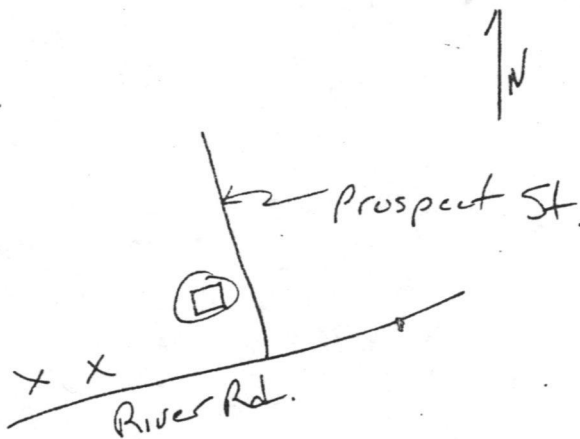
Setting Rural, amid fields, stone walls, overlooking the Ipswich River well established, aging landscape

Recorded by Anne Grady

Organization Boston University

Date May 1986

Sketch Map:



UTM REFERENCE Z E N 19 / 339-240 / 4721-760

USGS QUADRANGLE Georgetown (now Ipswich)

SCALE 1:25,000

INVENTORY FORM CONTINUATION SHEET

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Office of the Secretary, Boston

Community: TOPSFIELD	Form No: 64
Property Name: Zaccheus Gould House	

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SIGNIFICANCE

The Gould House has integrity of location, materials, design, workmanship and setting in its two First Period frames and embodies distinctive characteristics of form and construction under Criterion C. Its earlier frame exhibits on the summer beam a particularly well-executed example of the relatively rare quarter-round chamfer and lamb's tongue stop without collar. (type C-2 in the Kyprianos typology).

The enlargement of the house from single to double cell plan within the First Period is representative of a larger group of First Period houses.

The distinctive deeply jowled corner posts of the c. 1700 end of the house are also found in the Stephen Foster House in Topsfield. This link may suggest that both buildings are the work of the same carpenter, providing a relatively rare instance in the survey area where more than one building can be attributed to the same joiner, or school of joiners.

EXTERIOR DESCRIPTION

The Zaccheus Gould house is five bays long, 2 1/2 stories high, and one room deep. There is a central chimney and an early 20th century ell to the rear. The original c. 1670 single cell structure comprises the right-hand portion of the house. The left-hand rooms were added c. 1700. The clapboarded exterior has Second Period Vernacular trim including simply framed sash windows, and an enclosed porch. Three dormer windows were added in the 20th century.

MAJOR FIRST PERIOD FEATURES

Evidence of the two First Period frames, c. 1670 in the right hand rooms and c. 1700 on the left is seen in all four front rooms. Doubled framing members are found at the junction of the two frames.

In the older right (east) room, there is a longitudinal summer beam with broad quarter-round chamfer and lamb's tongue stops. Other framing members in the room are unchamfered. Joists are spaced 18 1/2" on centers.

In the right hand chamber, the summer tie beam and end tie beam have slim flat chamfers and taper stops.

In the left hand room of c. 1700 the longitudinal summer beam has two-inch wide flat chamfers and triangular stops. Joists are spaced 20 1/2" on centers. The summer tie beam in the left-hand chamber also has flat-chamfers and triangular stops. Other framing members in this room have slim flat chamfers and taper stops. Corner posts in the chamber are massive and are jowled c. 2 feet from the floor.

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The attic exhibits a principal rafter, common purlin roof with evidence of collar beams in the newer part. Rafters are doubled at the junctions of the newer and older portions of the roof.

LATER SIGNIFICANT FEATURES

The Gould House retains fine Second Period raised-field paneling on fireplace walls in the right and left-hand rooms and the right-hand chamber. The left-hand room is further embellished with a bolection molded fireplace surround and a corner cupboard.

A barn built c. 1910 adds to the historical setting of the property. A second barn visible a historic photograph was demolished in this century.
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HISTORICAL INFORMATION

The house was built for Zaccheus Gould possibly by his father John Gould, prominent founder of Topsfield.

REFERENCES

Topsfield Historical Collection: 8.

1/24/90

United States Department of the Interior
National Park Service

National Register of Historic Places
Continuation Sheet

Section number _____ Page _____

Multiple Resource Area
Thematic Group

Name _____
State _____

Nomination/Type of Review

Date/Signature

- 31. Giddings, Lient., Samuel House **Substantive Review** **Eligible** **Determined Eligible**
DOE/OWNER OBJECTION Keeper Beth J. Sarge 3/9/90
 Attest _____
- 32. Goodale, Isaac, House **Substantive Review** Keeper Beth J. Sarge 3/9/90
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- 33. Gott House **Entered in the National Register** Keeper Helena Byer 3/9/90
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- 34. Gould, Capt. Joseph, House **Entered in the National Register** Keeper Helena Byer 3/9/90
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- 35. Gould, Zaccheus, House **Entered in the National Register** Keeper Helena Byer 3/9/90
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- 36. Hardy, Joseph, House **Entered in the National Register** Keeper Helena Byer 3/9/90
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- 37. Harraden, Edward, House **Entered in the National Register** Keeper Helena Byer 3/9/90
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- 38. Harris Farm **Substantive Review** Keeper Beth J. Sarge 3/9/90
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- 39. Hart House **Entered in the National Register** Keeper Helena Byer 3/9/90
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- 40. Haskett, William, House **Entered in the National Register** Keeper Helena Byer 3/9/90
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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
NATIONAL PARK SERVICE

NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES
EVALUATION/RETURN SHEET

REQUESTED ACTION: NOMINATION

PROPERTY NAME: Gould, Zaccheus, House

MULTIPLE NAME: First Period Buildings of Eastern Massachusetts TR

STATE & COUNTY: MASSACHUSETTS, Essex

DATE RECEIVED: 1/24/90 DATE OF PENDING LIST: 2/07/90
DATE OF 16TH DAY: 2/23/90 DATE OF 45TH DAY: 3/10/90
DATE OF WEEKLY LIST:

REFERENCE NUMBER: 90000261

NOMINATOR: STATE

REASONS FOR REVIEW:

APPEAL: N DATA PROBLEM: N LANDSCAPE: N LESS THAN 50 YEARS: N
OTHER: N PDIL: N PERIOD: N PROGRAM UNAPPROVED: N
REQUEST: N SAMPLE: N SLR DRAFT: N NATIONAL: N

COMMENT WAIVER: N

ACCEPT RETURN REJECT 3/9/90 DATE Entered in the
National Register

ABSTRACT/SUMMARY COMMENTS:

RECOM./CRITERIA _____
REVIEWER _____
DISCIPLINE _____
DATE _____

DOCUMENTATION see attached comments Y/N see attached SLR Y/N

CLASSIFICATION

count resource type

STATE/FEDERAL AGENCY CERTIFICATION

FUNCTION

historic current

DESCRIPTION

architectural classification
 materials
 descriptive text

SIGNIFICANCE

Period Areas of Significance--Check and justify below

Specific dates Builder/Architect
Statement of Significance (in one paragraph)

summary paragraph
 completeness
 clarity
 applicable criteria
 justification of areas checked
 relating significance to the resource
 context
 relationship of integrity to significance
 justification of exception
 other

BIBLIOGRAPHY

GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

acreage verbal boundary description
 UTM's boundary justification

ACCOMPANYING DOCUMENTATION/PRESENTATION

sketch maps USGS maps photographs presentation

OTHER COMMENTS

Questions concerning this nomination may be directed to

_____ Phone _____

Signed _____ Date _____



73 Prospect Street,

Topsfield, MA

Zaccheus Gould House 35:01

EXTERIOR

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1st Period Buildings of E. Ma., TR



Topstfield, MA.

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Zaccheus Gould, Ho.

73 Prospect Street
right hand room
1985

1st Period Buildings of E. Ma., TR



34:14

Topfield, TA
Zaccheus Gould Ho.
73 Prospect St
Southwest corner
1985

1st Period Buildings of E. May, TR



Topsheld, IA
Zaccheus Gould Ho.
73 Prospect St.
detail: summer
1985

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1st Floor Buildngs of E. Main, TR



Topsfield, MA

34:17

Zaccheus Gould House

detail - summer

73 Prospect Street

1985

1st Period Buildings of E. Ma., TR



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Topfield, MA

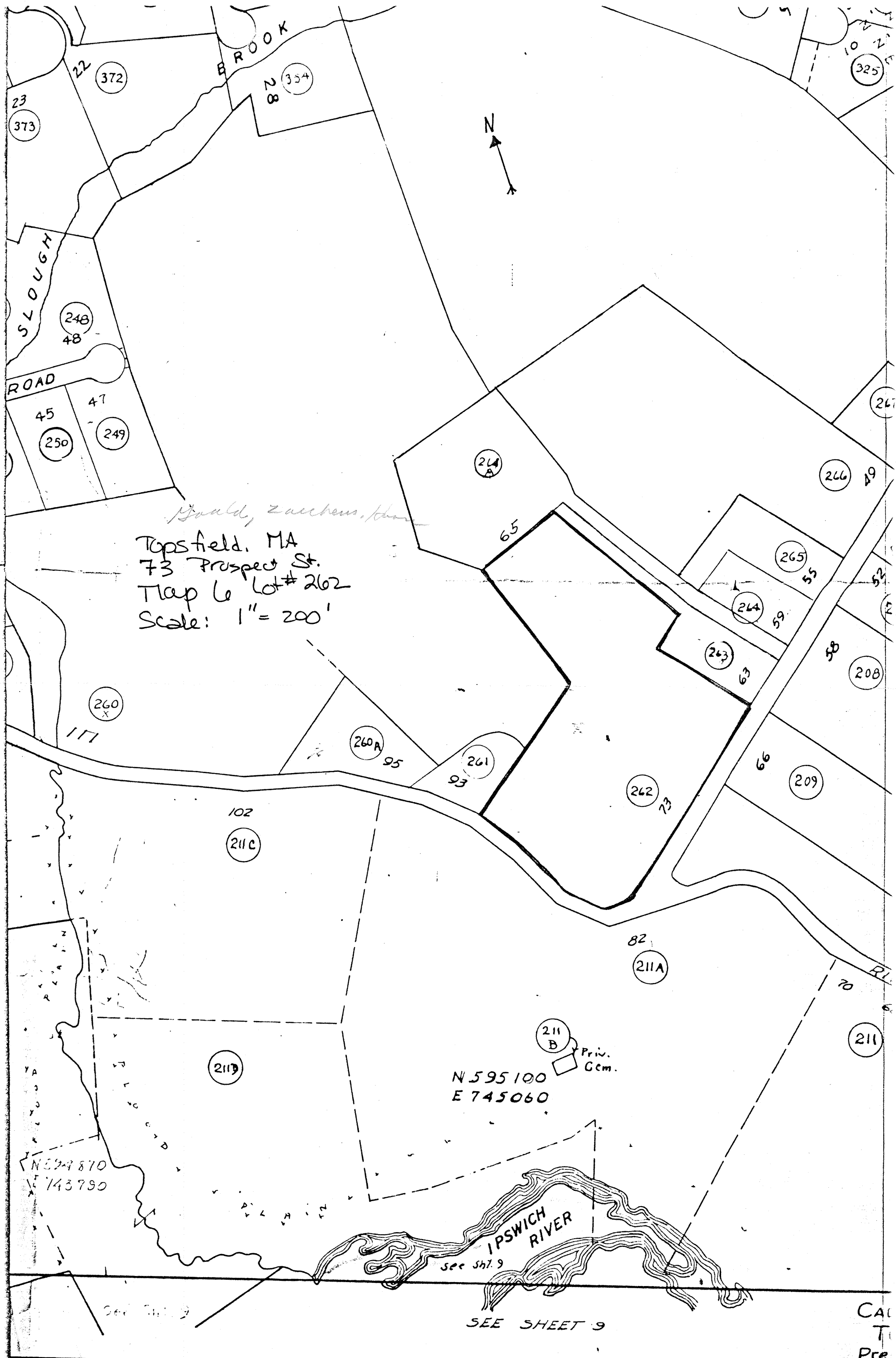
Zaccheus Gould House

73 Prospect Street

historic photo

1985

1st Period Buildings of Br. May, TR



Gould, Zuckers, etc.
 Topsfield, MA
 73 Prospect St.
 Map 6 Lot # 262
 Scale: 1" = 200'

N 595 100
 E 745 060

N 524 870
 E 743 790

IPSWICH RIVER
 See Sh. 9

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Please refer to the map in the
Multiple Property Cover Sheet
for this property

Multiple Property Cover Sheet Reference Number: 64000281