



1 Town Chelmsford
Address 10 Bartlett Street
Name Paul Dutton House
Present use 1 family residence

Present owner Mary E. Tevlin

3. Description

Date 1896

Source Lowell Weekly Journal

Style Queen Anne

Architect Charles E. Parkhurst

Exterior wall fabric clapboard

Outbuildings (describe) none

Other features _____

Altered see attached Date 1955

Moved no Date _____

5. Lot size:
27,984 s.f.
One acre or less x Over one acre _____

Approximate frontage 80 feet

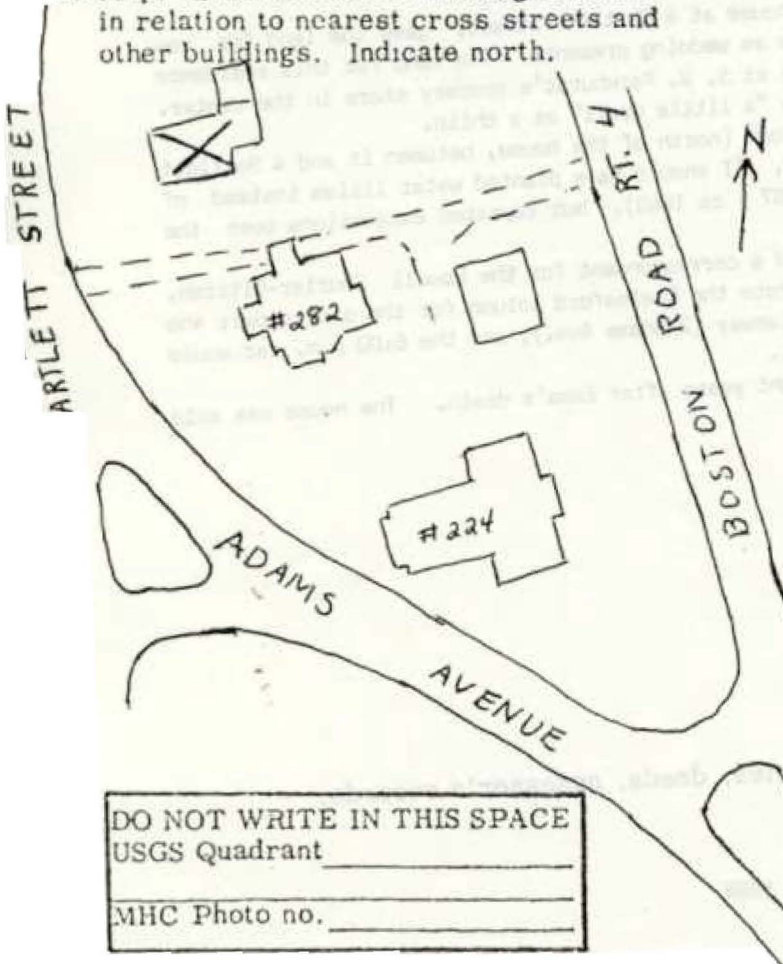
Approximate distance of building from street
ca 62 feet

6. Recorded by Jane B. Drury

Organization Chelmsford Historical Commission

Date October 12, 1988

4. Map. Draw sketch of building location in relation to nearest cross streets and other buildings. Indicate north.



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USGS Quadrant _____
MHC Photo no. _____

(over)

7. Original owner (if known) Emma & Paul Dutton

Original use 1 family residence

Subsequent uses (if any) and dates _____

8. Themes (check as many as applicable)

Aboriginal	_____	Conservation	_____	Recreation	
Agricultural	_____	Education	_____	Religion	
Architectural	<u> x </u>	Exploration/ settlement		Science/ invention	
The Arts	_____	Industry	<u> x </u>	Social/ humanitarian	
Commerce	_____	Military	_____	Transportation	<u> + </u>
Communication	_____	Political	_____		<u> + </u>
Community development	<u> x </u>				<u> + </u>

9. Historical significance (include explanation of themes checked above)

Construction on this lovely Queen Anne dwelling was begun on April 17, 1896, when the batters were put up. The cellar was dug by R. W. Dix, and the carpenters began work in early June.

J. Adams Bartlett, who lived next door in the old house at 4 Bartlett Street, gave the land for new houses, located next to each other, to his two daughters as wedding presents. The land for this residence was given to Emma M. and her groom, Paul Dutton, a clerk at S. W. Parkhurst's grocery store in the center. He and Emma raised one son, Adams Bartlett Dutton, who was "a little devil" as a child.

Emma Dutton had a garden between the house and the brook (north of the house, between it and 4 Bartlett Street). One spring when the brook overflowed she said, "I should have planted water lilies instead of potatoes!" This area is the location of a tannery (pre 1767 - ca 1840), but repeated excavations over the years has probably eliminated all traces of it.

In 1914 Paul Dutton became a traveling salesman, and a correspondent for the Lowell Courier-Citizen, holding the latter position until retirement. His wife wrote the Chelmsford column for the same paper; the "electric cars ran (on Boston Rd.) by the bottom of our driveway (2 Adams Ave.), and the 6:00 p.m. car would stop to get the copy and deliver it to the paper" in Lowell.

Mr. Dutton remained here until his death in 1945, eight years after Emma's death. The house was sold the following year.

Bibliography and/or references (such as local histories, deeds, assessor's records, early maps, etc.)

Middlesex No. Dist. Reg. Deeds: Plan Bk. 12, plan 24 (1896)
 Lowell Weekly Journal: Apr. 17, 1896; May 29, 1896; June 12, 1896
 Marjorie, Eunice, Phyllis Scoboria: July 27, 1982
 Chelmsford Street Directories: 1896 - 1946
 Chelmsford Assessors' records; Building Permit (1955); Vital Records
 Charlotte DeWolf: Oct. 12, 1988

INVENTORY FORM CONTINUATION SHEET

MASSACHUSETTS HISTORICAL COMMISSION
Office of the Secretary, Boston

Community: Chelmsford	Form No: 292
Property Name: Paul Dutton House	

Indicate each item on inventory form which is being continued below.

3. Altered: Sept. 1955

single garage (1 story) with patio or deck over
· attached to dwelling at left rear (northeast side)
architect/builder: Thomas J. Tevlin, owner
masonry blocks with poured concrete foundation
flat cement roof - forms patio

Interior, especially kitchen, has had several changes since 1946

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10 Bartlett Street
Chelmsford Street Directories

1896/97

Dutton, Paul - clerk, S. W. Parkhurst's, b. Central Hotel

1898/99, 1905

Dutton, Paul - clerk, S. W. Parkhurst's and Chelmsford P.O., h. Bartlett n. Adams

1913/14

Dutton, Paul - clerk, S. W. Parkhurst's, h. Bartlett n. Adams

1915/16, 1917/18, 1921, 1922

Dutton, Paul (Emma B.) - trav sales (B), also correspondent Lowell Courier-Citizen, h. Bartlett n. Adams

1930/31

Dutton, Paul (Emma B. - corres Lowell Courier-Citizen, h. Bartlett

1937/38

Dutton, Paul (Emma B.) -)pvr (L), h. Bartlett

1943

Dutton, Paul 10 Bartlett St. same 70 years retired
Dutton, Emma - not listed

Dutton, Paul 10 Bartlett St. same 72 years retired

Dutton, Paul - not listed
Blaisdell, Bertha - not listed

10 Bartlett Street

Lowell Weekly Journal:

April 17, 1896 - Batters were put up Wednesday for Paul Dutton's new house on Bartlett street. Charles E. Parkhurst has the contract.

May 29, 1896 - R.W. Dix is making good progress upon the cellar for Paul Dutton's house on Bartlett street.

June 12, 1896 - The carpenters have begun work upon Paul Dutton's new house.





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