

# OLD-TIME NEW ENGLAND

---



The Bulletin of THE SOCIETY FOR THE PRESERVATION  
OF NEW ENGLAND ANTIQUITIES

*Harrison Gray Otis House, 141 Cambridge Street, Boston*

Vol. LXIV Nos. 3-4

Winter-Spring 1974

Serial Nos. 235-236

# The Society for the Preservation of New England Antiquities



WILLIAM ENDICOTT II, *Vice-President*  
ABBOTT LOWELL CUMMINGS, *Director and Corresponding Secretary*  
JOHN F. BOK, *Recording Secretary*  
WILLIAM B. OSGOOD, *Treasurer*  
ROBERT E. MOODY, *Director of Library*  
J. PETER SPANG III, *Director of Museum*  
GEORGE L. WRENN III, *Associate Director*  
STANLEY M. SMITH, *Assistant Director for Development*  
R. CURTIS CHAPIN, *Supervisor of Properties and Collections*  
FREDERICK E. EAYRS, JR., *Assistant Supervisor of Properties and Collections*  
RICHARD C. NYLANDER, *Curator of Collections*  
ROY A. PETRE, *Curator*  
WILLIAM S. REID, *Assistant Treasurer*  
RICHARD P. THOMPSON, *Business Manager*  
DANIEL M. LOHNES, *Librarian*  
SUSAN A. MOYLE, *Executive Secretary*  
GERARD BOUCHARD, *Bookkeeper*  
LYNNE SPENCER, *Secretary*  
ANN Z. RUSSEL, *Membership Secretary*  
ARTHUR T. RICHARDS, *Superintendent*  
SUSAN RECH, *Membership Assistant*  
MORGAN W. PHILLIPS, *Architectural Conservator*  
PAUL COURNOYER, *Carpenter*

## STATE VICE-PRESIDENTS

### *Connecticut*

PHILIP A. JOHNSON, NORWICH

### *Maine*

STEPHEN WHEATLAND, BANGOR

MISS ROSAMOND THAXTER, KITTERY POINT

### *New Jersey*

MRS. GERALDINE R. DODGE, MADISON

### *New York*

MISS ELIZABETH HOLAHAN, ROCHESTER

### *Rhode Island*

JOHN NICHOLAS BROWN, PROVIDENCE

### *Vermont*

STEPHEN GREENE, BRATTLEBORO

## TRUSTEES

### 1971-1974

MRS. FREDERICK C. DUMAINE, JR. Weston

MRS. AUSTIN SMITH, Peabody

MR. EDMUND H. KELLOGG, Lincoln

MR. ROBERT BELL RETTIG, Cambridge

### 1972-1975

MR. HOWARD GAMBRILL, JR., Weston

MRS. CHARLES DARROW GOWING, Boston

MRS. EDWARD C. JOHNSON III, Boston

MR. GUIDO R. PERERA, Boston

### 1973-1976

MR. RICHARD M. CANDEE, Sturbridge

MRS. GEMMELL JAINSCHIGG, Darien

MR. THOMAS W. LEAVITT, North Andover

MR. HENRY H. THAYER, Wellesley

## OLD-TIME NEW ENGLAND

ABBOT LOWELL CUMMINGS, *Editor*  
MARY K. LARSEN, *Editorial Assistant*

### Table of Contents

RETHINKING THE EARLY GREEK REVIVAL: THE SUCCESS OF INFLUENCES AND THE FAILURE OF A BUILDER.....	<i>by Richard C. Cote</i>	61
JOHN PIERCE: YANKEE SOCIAL HISTORIAN .....	<i>by James R. McGovern</i>	77
VOSE AND COATS, CABINETMAKERS.....	<i>by Jane Nylander</i>	87

*COVER: JOSEPH BOWER'S HOUSE PROSPECT STREET, NORTHAMPTON, MASS., Torn down 1916. Photo courtesy of Forbes Library in Northampton.*

---

---

SINGLE COPY, ONE DOLLAR AND FIFTY CENTS

Second-class postage paid at Boston, Massachusetts

*Copyright, 1974, The Society for the Preservation of New England Antiquities*