



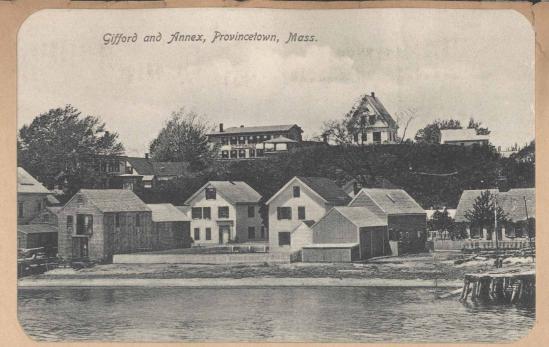
Facing East. Masonic Block. Note Pilgrim Monument Top left. About 1915.

September 1947 An event evoking much local interest is the painting of Martha Atkins' house opposite the Post Office which has been in dire need of just such treatment for so many years. The work is being done by the Triangle Construction Company of Cambridge, Mass., headed by Alexander Q. Hamilton, an amazing gentleman of parts, who said Provincetown reminded him, in places, of a little town in England which turned out to be Cambridge where he had studied for two years. He is a talented engineer and designer of ships, and served in the City of New York as building inspector. Because of his knowledge of Oriental languages he has been employed by American companies in 52 foreign countries. But in all of his varied and strange experience, Mr. Hamilton said he never signed such an unusual contract as that with Martha Atkins for the fence which is being built in front of her house. The bottom rail must be six inches above ground to permit the free passage of cats. The house will get two or three coats of white and the shutters will be light blue!

House on left in above picture.

## November 24, 1955

LITTLE MORE THAN the framework of the old home of the late Mattie Atkins now remains as the wreckers push along the work of removal. Under the ell toward the home of James Matenos, who has acquired the Atkins property, a beautiful Cape Cod cup cellar has been revealed. About 15 feet in diameter, it is unusually large and is in perfect condition. Seems a shame that a specimen like that can't somehow be preserved. Maybe excavators in the years to come will uncover it and begin pawing our records for an explanation. . . .Mr. and Mrs. Matenos left this morning for an extended motor trip to Ohio and then south.



The houses on the shore lot is where the Post Office was built, in 1933. - View taken about 1900.



Just before Carver Street, facing West. - About 1890 - Left, with sign over shop: Eunice & Miranda Nickerson's store (candy, toys, etc.)

They lived directly across the street. Store with the awning is Adam's Market (see next page) In between these two is Fred Gifford, the