

New Bedford Whaling National Historical Park



Tobey & Coggeshall



Tobey & Coggeshall Building

Fact: Tobey & Coggeshall was a successful plumbing and tinsmith business in New Bedford.

Located directly west of the United States Custom House, the Tobey & Coggeshall Building served as the recruiting office for Co. C of the 54th Massachusetts Infantry. Opening on February 10, 1863, 120 men enlisted in this building with more than 25% being New Bedford residents. The building was later demolished and the site is now home to the 54th Massachusetts Volunteer Infantry Plaza.

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