

FORM F - STRUCTURE

MASSACHUSETTS HISTORICAL COMMISSION  
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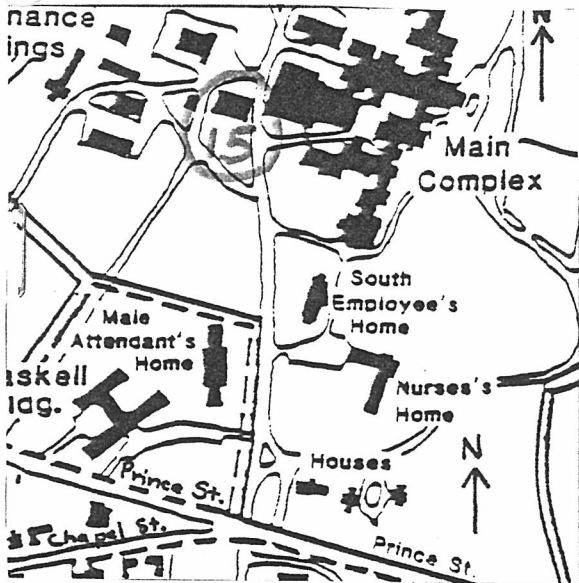


m Northampton  
 Address Northside Prince Street  
 Name "1900" Stable  
 Present use storage  
 Present owner Comm. of Mass.

Type of structure (check one)

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|------------|-------------|--------------|-------|
| Age        | _____       | pound        | _____ |
| Al         | _____       | powder house | _____ |
| 1          | _____       | street       | _____ |
|            | _____       | tower        | _____ |
| gate       | _____       | tunnel       | _____ |
| kiln       | _____       | wall         | _____ |
| lighthouse | _____       | windmill     | _____ |
| other      | <u>barn</u> |              |       |

4. Map. Draw sketch of structure location in relation to nearest cross streets, buildings, other structures, natural features. Indicate north.



5. Description

Date 1900-1901  
 Source Annual Reports  
 Construction material brick  
 Dimensions 40' x 60'  
 Setting west of Main Complex  
 Condition fair

DO NOT WRITE IN THIS SPACE  
 USGS Quadrant \_\_\_\_\_  
 MHC Photo no. \_\_\_\_\_

6. Recorded by Ed Lonergan  
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7. Original owner (if known) Comm. of Mass

Original use horse stable

Subsequent uses (if any) and dates storage

8. Themes (check as many as applicable)

Aboriginal	<input type="checkbox"/>	Conservation	<input type="checkbox"/>	Recreation	<input type="checkbox"/>
Agricultural	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Education	<input type="checkbox"/>	Religion	<input type="checkbox"/>
Architectural	<input type="checkbox"/>	Exploration/ settlement	<input type="checkbox"/>	Science/ invention	<input type="checkbox"/>
The Arts	<input type="checkbox"/>	Industry	<input type="checkbox"/>	Social/ humanitarian	<input type="checkbox"/>
Commerce	<input type="checkbox"/>	Military	<input type="checkbox"/>	Transportation	<input type="checkbox"/>
Communication	<input type="checkbox"/>	Political	<input type="checkbox"/>		
Community development	<input type="checkbox"/>				

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

This large brick stable was constructed in 1900 to replace a smaller, wood-frame structure. The basement was used for storage of carriages and farming tools, and has its own entrance to the rear, as the stable was built into a hillside. Driving horses (rather than farm horses) were kept on the main floor, and there was a hayloft above.

The building was constructed mainly by the regular employees of the State Hospital, with the assistance of patients in framing, making mortar and supplying the masons with bricks and mortar. It was valued at \$6000 upon completion.

By the early 1920's automobiles were replacing driving horses and the need for a large stable diminished. Soon it was being used to house automobiles and other motorized vehicles of the State Hospital. In the mid 1930's a four-car one-story garage, built of concrete blocks, was added in the rear on the lower level.

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

Annual Reports: 1900, 1901 Forbes Library