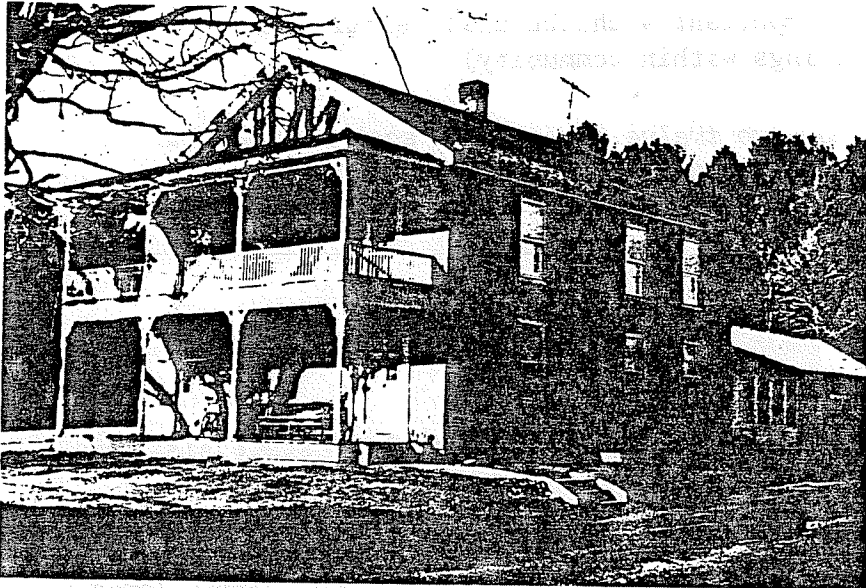


FORM B - BUILDING

Area	Form no.
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MASSACHUSETTS HISTORICAL COMMISSION
294 Washington Street, Boston, MA 02108



Northampton

19 Audobon Rd.

Local Name L. Day House

Original residence

Present residence

Ownership: Private individual
 Private organization

Public

Original owner Luke Day

NOTATION:

Date 1794

Source Antiquities, etc.

Style

Architect

Exterior wall fabric asphalt siding

Outbuildings

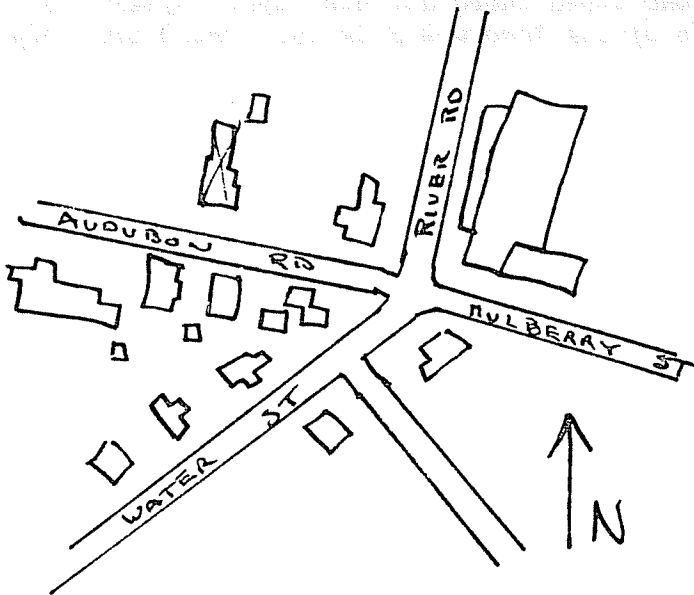
Major alterations (with dates) porch
added-late 19th century

Moved -- Date

Approx. acreage

Setting

Indicate cross streets and other buildings or geographical features. Indicate north.



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Organization NHC

Date May 1980

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ARCHITECTURAL SIGNIFICANCE (describe important architectural features and evaluate in terms of other buildings within community)

The first floor still has two twelve over twelve sash windows and the entrance is flanked by pilasters and capped by a tall entablature.

HISTORICAL SIGNIFICANCE (explain the role owners played in local or state history and how the building relates to the development of the community)

During the last decade of the 18th century three families established themselves along the road to Williamsburg west of the Mill River. These were: James Smith (1790), Calvin Clark (1792) and Luke Day (1794). The settlement was called Rail Hill, and in later years, after the harnessing of the Mill River near the junction of Roberts Meadow Brook, and the growth of an industrial vullage there, became part of Leeds. Thus, this is the third homestead to be established in this area. The homestead continued in the Day family with Jonathan Day, who lived there all his life. After his death, c. 1880, the house passed to the hands of the Nonotuck Silk Co., which probably used it for tenements.

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