

FORM B - BUILDING

MASSACHUSETTS HISTORICAL COMMISSION
Office of the Secretary, State House, Boston

In Area no.	Form no.
	38B-103

1024



1 Northampton

Address 11 Munroe Street

Name V. Cleveland House

Present use residence

Present owner Daniel & Shirley Levin

Description:

1892-94

Source Reg. of Deeds & Directory

Architect _____

Exterior wall fabric clapboard

Outbuildings (describe) _____

Other features flat roof with central

wall gable on facade, 2 story corner bay entrance portico with Roman Doric columns

Altered _____ Date _____

Moved _____ Date _____

5. Lot size:

One acre or less X Over one acre _____

Approximate frontage 75'

Approximate distance of building from street

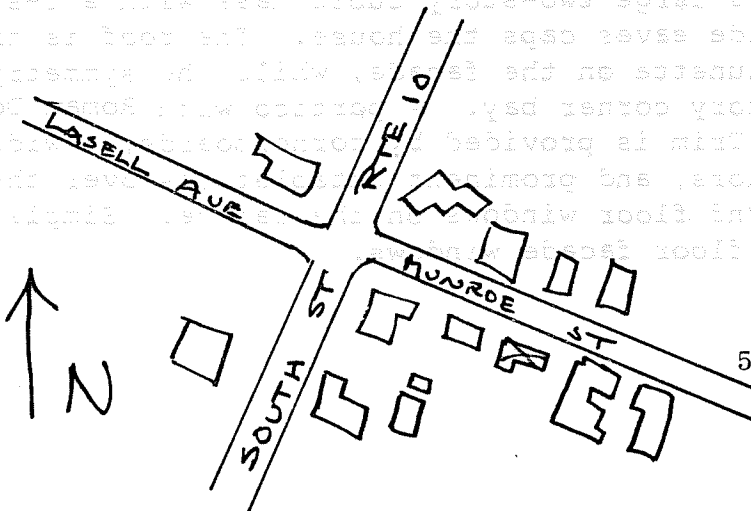
20'

6. Recorded by E. Lonergan

Organization NHC

Date February 1980

Draw sketch of building location in relation to nearest cross streets and other buildings. Indicate north.



DO NOT WRITE IN THIS SPACE USGS Quadrant _____
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(over)

7. Original owner (if known) Vernett E. Cleveland

Original use residence

Subsequent uses (if any) and dates _____

8. Themes (check as many as applicable)

Aboriginal	_____	Conservation	_____	Recreation	_____
Agricultural	_____	Education	_____	Religion	_____
Architectural	_____	Exploration/ settlement	_____	Science/ invention	_____
The Arts	_____	Industry	_____	Social/ humanitarian	_____
Commerce	_____	Military	_____	Transportation	_____
Communication	_____	Political	_____		
Community development	_____				

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

David M. Clapp, a South St. farmer and member of a family which had first settled on South St. in 1713, owned land between what was originally Franklin Ave. (now Munroe St.) and Columbus Ave. His homestead stretched easterly from South St. over the brow of the Mill River terrace into the meadows. After his death his daughters, Harriet and Jane, acquired the property. Lots were sold on the southside of Munroe St.

In 1892 Vernett Cleveland bought this lot from Harriet Clapp and had this house built by 1894. Mr. Cleveland was a bookkeeper for the Smith Carr Baking Co. The house is a large two-story cubic mass with a 2-story rear ell. A flat roof with wide eaves caps the house. The roof is broken by a central wall gable with lunette on the facade, while the symmetry of the cube is broken by the 2-story corner bay. A portico with Roman Doric columns covers the entrance. Trim is provided by cornerboards, a wide frieze with patterned ventilators, and prominent entablatures over the windows on the sides and the 2nd floor windows on the facade. Simple shelves are used for the first floor facade windows.

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

- 1873, 1884 & 1895 Atlases
- Registry of Deeds: Bk.455-P.197, 455-349, & 784-236
- Northampton Directory: 1894-95