

FORM B - BUILDING

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

In Area no.	Form no.
	38B-254

Northampton



Address 45-47 Olive St.

Present use residence

Present owner Jeffery Wood

Description: 1868-73

Source Reg. of Deeds and Atlas

Architect

Exterior wall fabric clapboard

Outbuildings (describe)

Other features

Altered -- Date

Moved -- Date

5. Lot size:

One acre or less  Over one acre

Approximate frontage

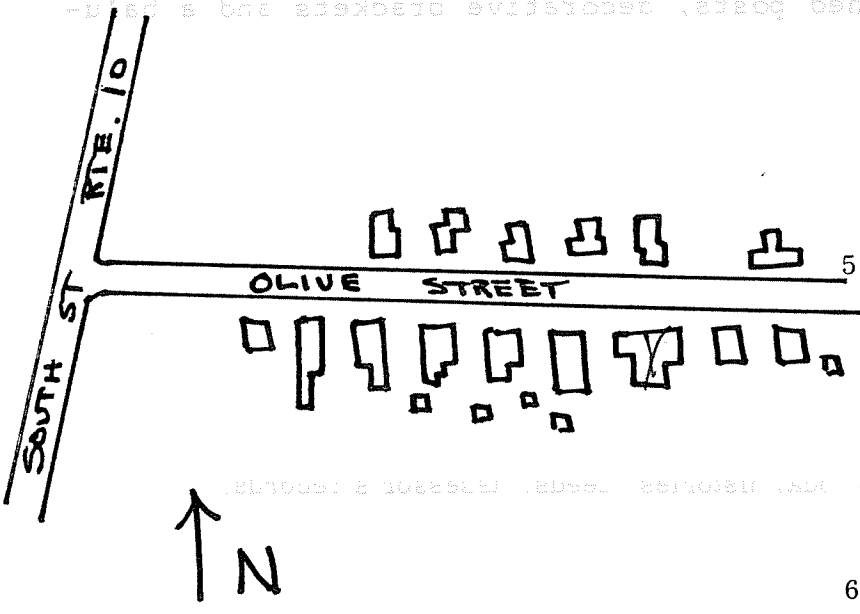
Approximate distance of building from street

6. Recorded by E. Lonergan

Organization NHC

Date April 1980

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



(over)

7. Original owner (if known) \_\_\_\_\_

Original use \_\_\_\_\_ residence \_\_\_\_\_

Subsequent uses (if any) and dates \_\_\_\_\_

8. Themes (check as many as applicable)

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

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

This large double house was built on Olive St. shortly after it opened in 1868. Olive St. was the first street strictly for subdivision opened off of South St. atop the terrace. The street was opened by Lewis and Charles Edwards, and James Ellsworth, all South St. farmers. In 1873 this house was owned by George Ellsworth, another South St. farmer.

By 1873 nine houses had been built on the street, all single houses except for this one. This house has the basic five-bay, central entrance colonial form with two inset chimneys and a two story rear ell. A double entry porch with turned posts, decorative brackets and a balustrade decorates the facade.

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

- 1860 County Map.
- 1873, 1884 and 1895 Atlases.
- Northampton Directory: 1873-74.
- Registry of Deeds: Bk. 252-P. 89 and 331.