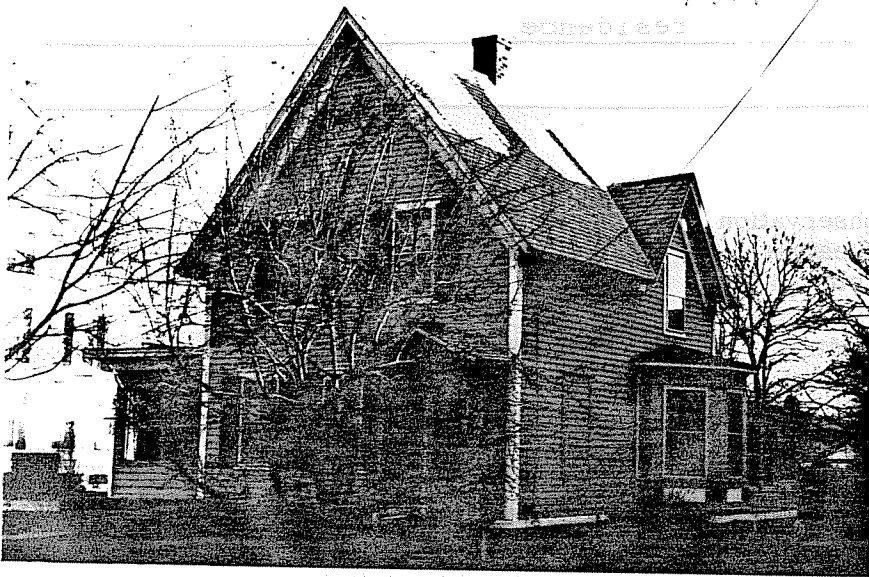


FORM B - BUILDING

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

In Area no.	Form no.
	38B-269

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Northampton

Address 242 South St.

Name C. Pierson House

Use residence

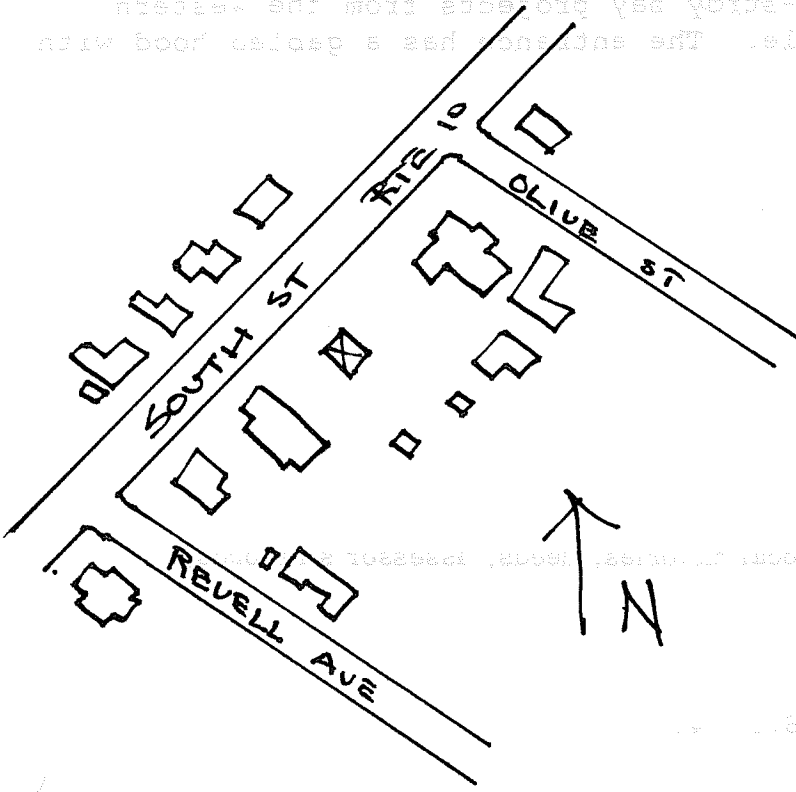
Present owner Edward and Jean Towles

Description:

Date 1860-68

Source Map and Directory

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



Architect Charles Pierson- carpenter

Exterior wall fabric clapboard

Outbuildings (describe) _____

Other features _____

Altered side porch Date 20th c.

Moved -- Date _____

5. Lot size:

One acre or less x Over one acre _____

Approximate frontage 55'

Approximate distance of building from street 15'

6. Recorded by E. Lonergan

Organization NHC

Date April 1980

(over)

7. Original owner (if known) Charles A. Pierson

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	_____				

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

This house was originally built during the 1860's by Charles A. Pierson, a local carpenter.

In 1894, the "Home for Aged and Infirm Women in Northampton", located in the house next east, purchased this home and lot to serve as a residence for the Home's janitor and family.

The house is one and a half stories in height with a steeply pitched gable roof. A small, one-story bay projects from the western side, underneath a small wall gable. The entrance has a gabled hood with latticed sides.

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: 1868-69, 1873-74.