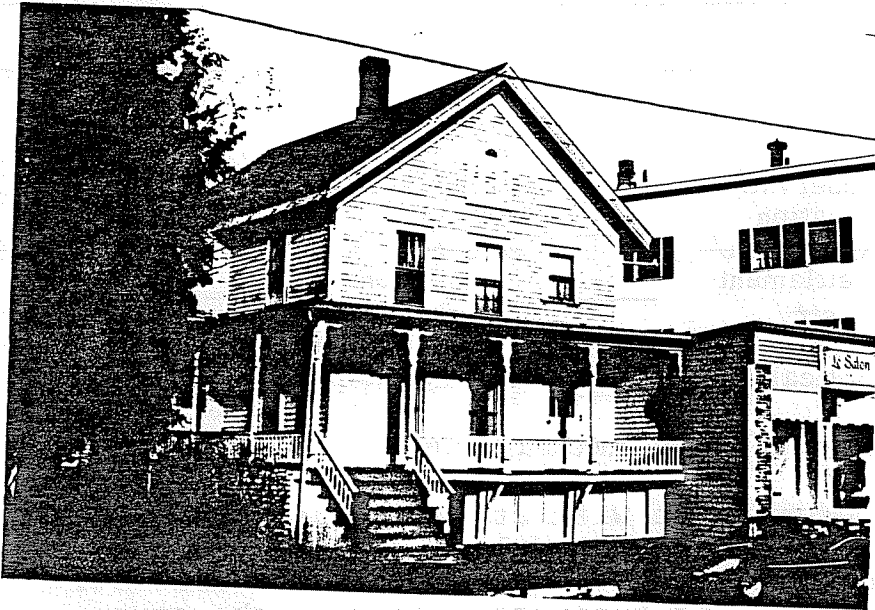


FORM B - BUILDING

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

In Area no.	Form no.
	17C-225



City Northampton

Address North Main Street

Name G. Maine House

Present use residential & commercial

Present owner Timothy & Agnes Shea

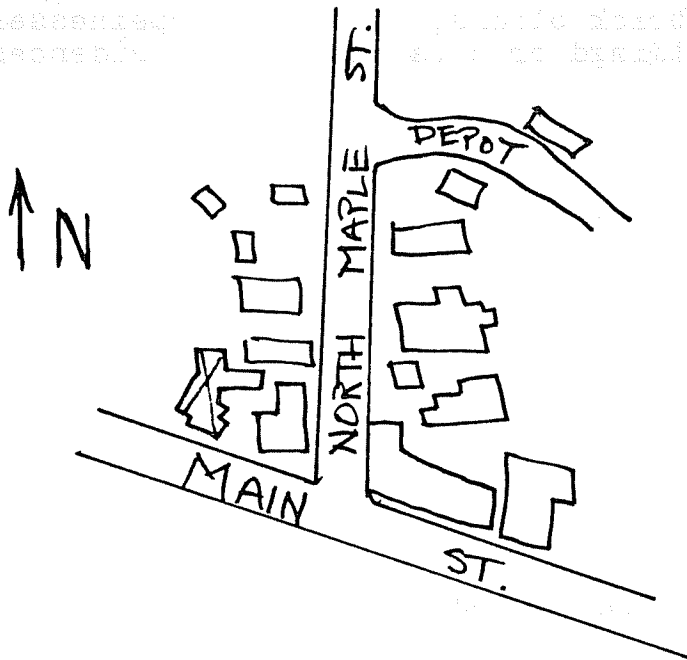
Description:

Age c. 1880

Source Atlases

Architect \_\_\_\_\_

in relation to nearest cross streets and other buildings. Indicate north.



Exterior wall fabric clapboard

Outbuildings (describe) \_\_\_\_\_

Other features \_\_\_\_\_

Altered \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Moved \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

5. Lot size:

One acre or less  Over one acre \_\_\_\_\_

Approximate frontage 65'

Approximate distance of building from street 10'

6. Recorded by E. Lonergan

Organization NHC

Date January 1980

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USGS Quadrant \_\_\_\_\_

MHC Photo no. \_\_\_\_\_

(over)

7. Original owner (if known) George W. Maine

Original use residence and basement commercial

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

8. Themes (check as many as applicable)

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

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

This two-and-a-half story house with store in the basement was probably built for George Maine in the early 1880's. According to the 1875 directory Mr. Maine operated a meat market on Meadow St. in Florence, and he probably moved his business here when the structure was built.

By the early 1870's the intersection of Main/No. Main St. and Maple/No. Maple St. in Florence had become the center of commercial activity. There were a couple of brick blocks, but mostly businesses were operated from small frame buildings or attachments to residences.

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

1877, 1881 & 1885 Directories  
Northampton Directory: 1888-90