

FORM B - BUILDING

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

In Area no.	Form no.
	23A-17



Town Northampton

Address 10 Park Street

Name A. Eldridge House

Present use residence

Present owner Salvatore & M. Elaine Tagliareni

Description:

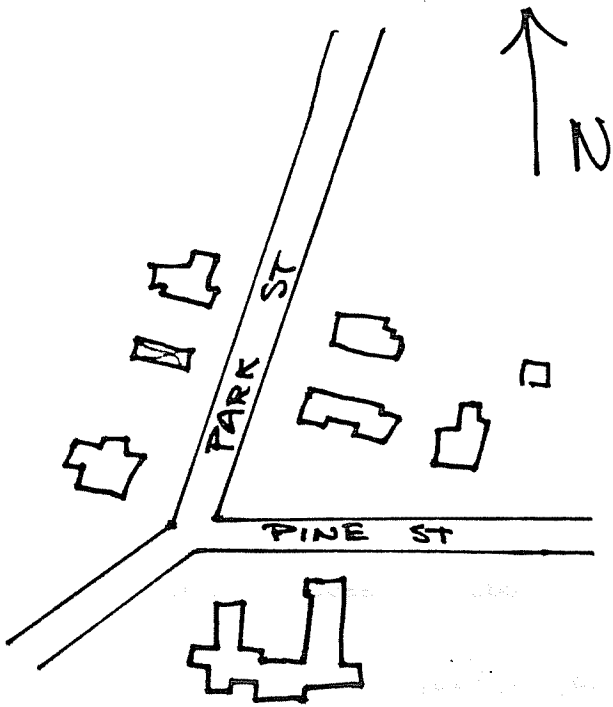
Year 1857-60

Source Reg. of Deeds & Map

Reference Bracketed

Architect \_\_\_\_\_

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



Exterior wall fabric clapboard

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

Other features boxed cornice with brackets and frieze, 1 story wrap-around porch with turned posts and decorated brackets

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 February 1980

(over)

Original owner (if known) Amos Eldridge

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)

*In 1857 Amos Eldridge purchased a little more than an acre of land from Samuel Hill for \$200. As Mr. Eldridge was a carpenter he probably built this house himself. He resided here through most of the 19th century. The house is shown in a "View of Florence and Residences" dated about 1865 and reprinted in Sheffield's book. There the house seems to be pedimented and without brackets and the front porch. The change in the front gable probably took place in the 1870's, while the porch was probably added late in the 19th century.*

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

1854 & 1860 County Maps 1873, 1884 & 1895 Atlases

Registry of Deeds: Bk.173-P.393

History of Florence, ed. by Charles Sheffield, 1895 p. 137.