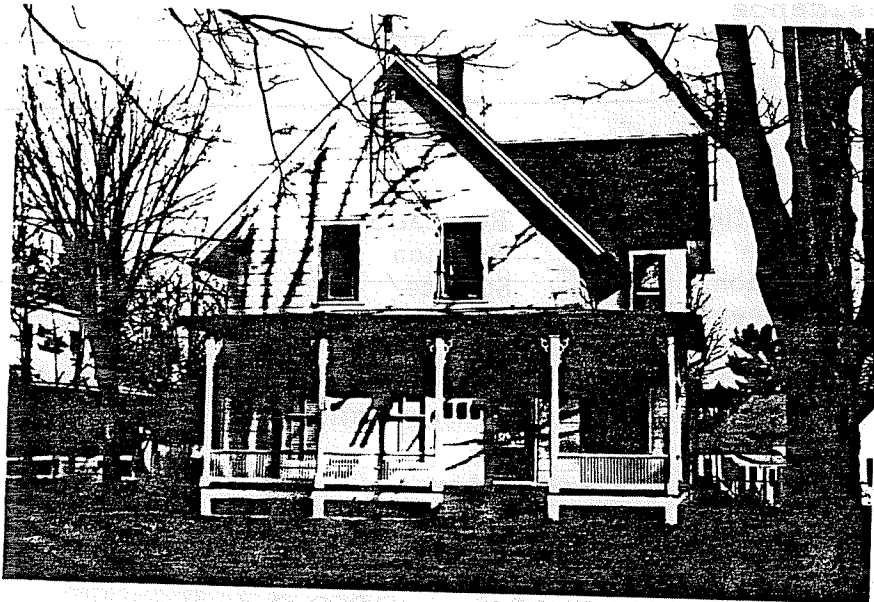


FORM B - BUILDING

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

In Area no.	Form no.
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1 Northampton

Address 137 South Main Street

Name T. Lavake House

Present use residence

Present owner Pauline & Francis Taylor

Description:

Year 1872-73

Source Reg. of Deeds & Atlas

Reference \_\_\_\_\_

Architect \_\_\_\_\_

Exterior wall fabric vinyl siding

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

Other features 1 story wrap-around porch with posts, balusters and ornate brackets, tall windows-first floor facade

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5. Lot size:

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

Approximate frontage \_\_\_\_\_

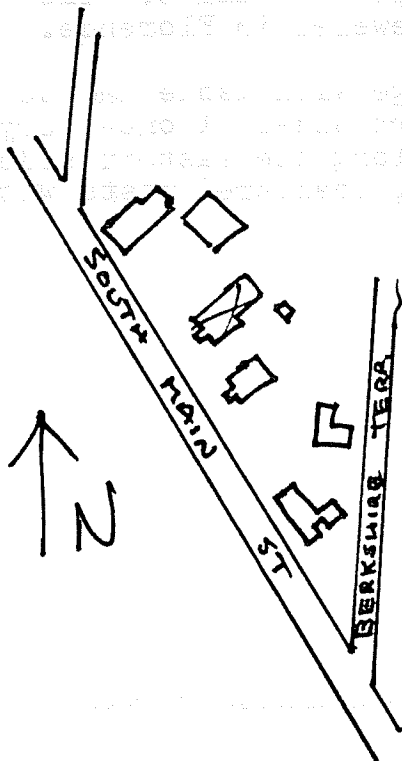
Approximate distance of building from street \_\_\_\_\_

6. Recorded by E. Lonergan

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Date February 1980

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



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7. Original owner (if known) Thomas W. Vavake

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	<u>xx</u>				

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

In 1872 Thomas Lavake bought one of E.B. Goodwin's lots for \$450. Mr. Goodwin had filed a subdivision plan in 1868 for the area between South Main and Locust Sts., bound easterly by the terrace drop-off into the meadows of Broughton Brook. The house must have been built immediately as it is shown on the 1873 atlas. The 1873 directory lists Mr. Lavake as a Main St. jeweler in Florence.

This is a one-and-a-half story cottage with gable end to the street and a gabled projection on the eastern side. A one-story porch extends across the three bay facade and along the eastern side to the projection. The porch has a hipped roof, chamfered posts with ornate brackets, a balustrade and lattice base.

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

- 1873, 1884 & 1895 Atlases
- Registry of Deeds: Bk. 299-P. 270
- Northampton Directory: 1873-74.