

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

In Area no.	Form no.
	23A-189

2017



1 Florence (Northampton)

Address 130 South Main Street

Name J. L. Abell House

Present use Residence

Present owner Beatrice LaMontagne

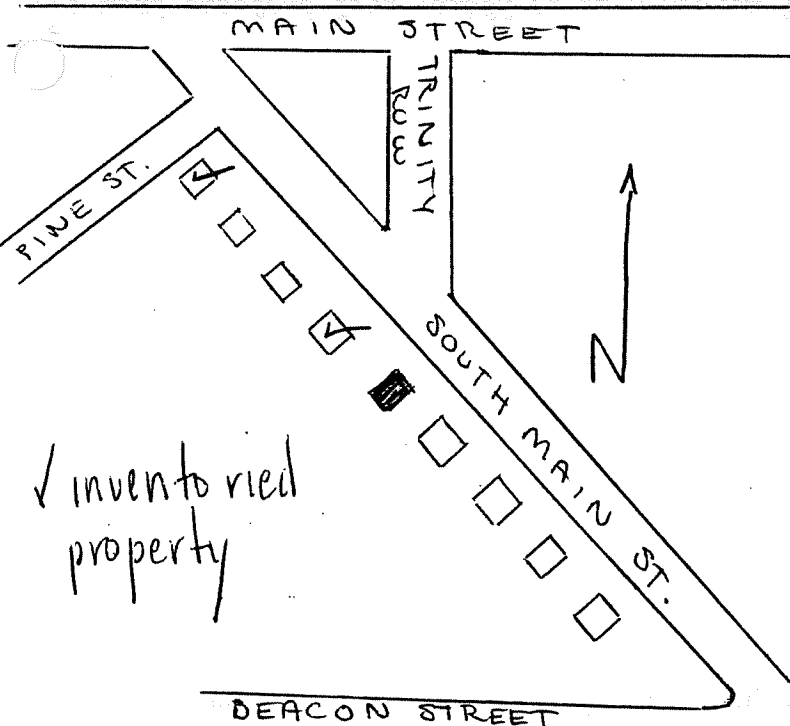
Description:

circa 1860

Source 1873 Atlas of Northampton

Rural Gothic Cottage

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



✓ inventoried property

DO NOT WRITE IN THIS SPACE  
USGS Quadrant \_\_\_\_\_  
MHC Photo no. \_\_\_\_\_

Architect Unknown

Exterior wall fabric Bracketed

Outbuildings (describe) none

Other features dormer windows, projecting bay, truncated gable, window and gabled porch

Altered no Date \_\_\_\_\_

Moved no Date \_\_\_\_\_

5. Lot size:

Less than one acre x Over one acre \_\_\_\_\_

Approximate frontage 130 feet

Approximate distance of building from street  
50 feet

6. Recorded by Lori Komaromi

Organization Northampton Historical Commission

Date March 10, 1976

(over)

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7. Original owner (if known) George H. & Julia B. Olds

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 picturesque Victorian cottage was built during the early 1880's for George and Julia Olds. The 1885 directory lists Mr. Olds as a draughtsman and Mrs. Olds as a dressmaker.*

*The house is one-and-a-half stories in height, L-shaped with a porch between the legs. A two-story bay window with polygonal roof projects from the front-gable.*

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

1873, 1884 & 1895 Atlases

Registry of Deeds: Bk.368-P.534

Northampton Directory: 1885-86.