

FORM B - BUILDING

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

In Area no.	Form no.
	23 D-141



Northampton

Address 106 Hinckley St.

Present use residence

Present owner Jesse Nicol

Description:

c. 1890

Source Atlases and Directories

Architect _____

4. Map. Draw sketch of building 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 _____

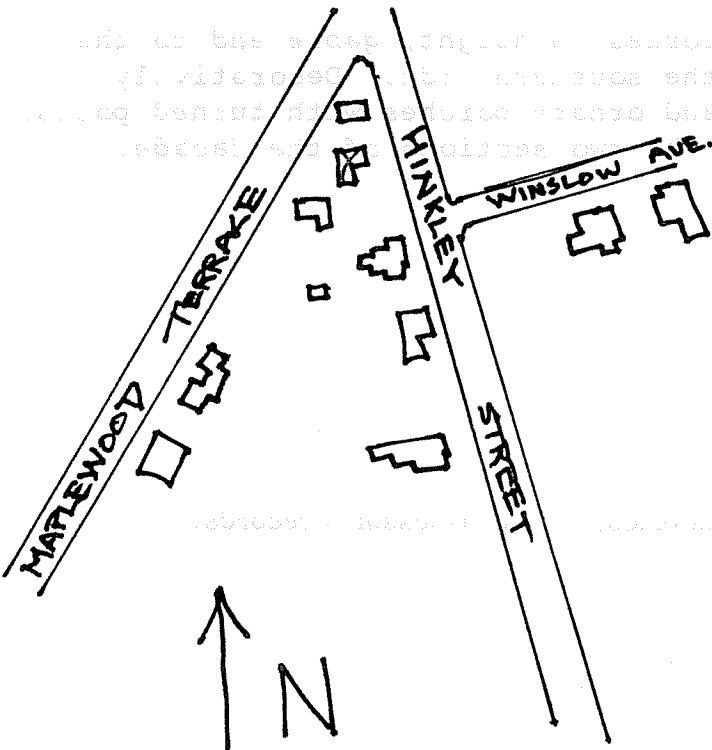
Approximate frontage _____

Approximate distance of building from street _____

6. Recorded by E. Lonergan

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Date April 1980



(over)

7. Original owner (if known) Richard O'Brien

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 large clapboard house was built on land of Richard O'Brien. Mr. O'Brien, a mason, bought a little more than an acre of land on the eastern slope of Baker's Hill, fronting on Hinckley St., for \$29⁰⁰.75 in 1869. The sale was made subject to a right of way 33 feet wide "in continuation of road already located south of premises". This was Maple St. (now Maplewood Terrace). Mr. O'Brien's house was located west of the proposed street. Shortly before 1895, this house was built east of Maple St., fronting on Hinckley St.

The house is two and a half stories in height, gable end to the street, with a large cross gable to the southern side. Decoratively cut shingles are used in the gables and ornate porches with turned posts, fancy brackets and balustrades cover the two sections of the facade.

10. Bibliography and/or references (such as local histories, deeds, assessor's records, early maps, etc.)
1860 County Map.
187⁰⁰, 1884 and 1895 Atlases.
Registry of Deeds: Bk 279 P⁰⁰71, 208 171.
Northampton Directory: 187⁰⁰ 74, 1882 through 1895.