

FORM B - BUILDING

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

In Area no.	Form no.
	23D-152



Northampton

Address 146 Hinckley St.

Name J. Cahill House

Present use residence

Present owner Robert and Susan Henson

Description:

Approx. date c. 1865

Source Reg. of Deeds and Directory

Reference

Architect

Exterior wall fabric wood shingles

Outbuildings (describe)

Other features

Altered _____ Date _____

Moved -- Date _____

5. Lot size:

One acre or less _____ Over one acre _____

Approximate frontage _____

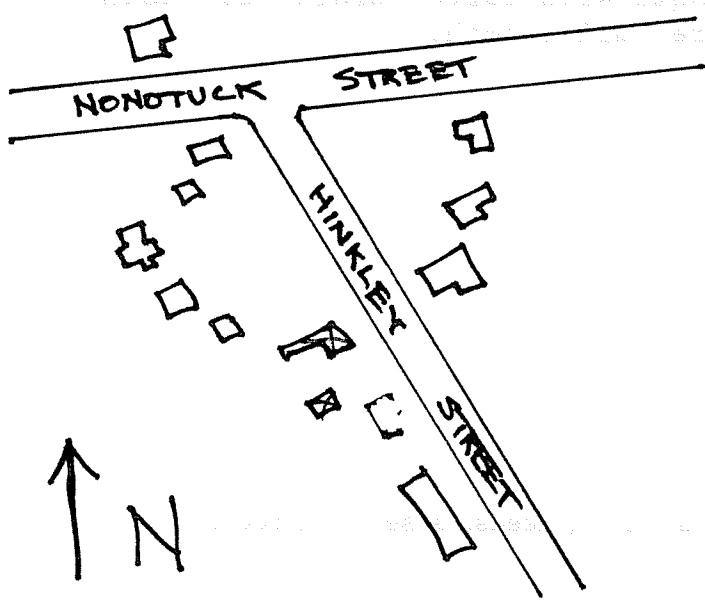
Approximate distance of building from street _____

6. Recorded by E. Lonergan

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Date April 1980

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



(over)

7. Original owner (if known) John Cahill

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>x</u>				

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

In 1865 John Cahill bought 1 and 1/3 acres of land fronting on the "highway from Florence to Northampton" (Nonotuck St.) from Samuel L. Hinckley for \$198. The land rose steeply to the southwest up the slopes of Baker's Hill. Shortly thereafter, this small cottage was built. It was set back about 250 feet from Nonotuck St., and 100 feet from Hinckley St. It faced Hinckley and was sited about 30 feet higher than the street.

The house is one and a half stories high, with gable end to Hinckley St., and a one story porch that extends across the three bay facade. The porch has square posts with carved brackets. Both of the first floor facade windows are full length.

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

1860 County Map.

1873, 1884 and 1895 Atlases.

Northampton Directory: 1868-69, 1880-81.

Registry of Deeds: BK 353 P83, 227-257.