

FORM B - BUILDING

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

In Area no.	Form no.
	24A-104

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Town Northampton



Address 409 Prospect St.

Name F. G. Jager House

Present use residence

Present owner Robert and Susan Corash

Description:

c. 1895

Source Atlas and Directory

Reference

Architect

other buildings. Indicate north.

Exterior wall fabric clapboard

Outbuildings (describe) 1 1/2-story carriage

house with cupola

Other features

Altered --

Date

Moved --

Date

5. Lot size:

One acre or less

Over one acre

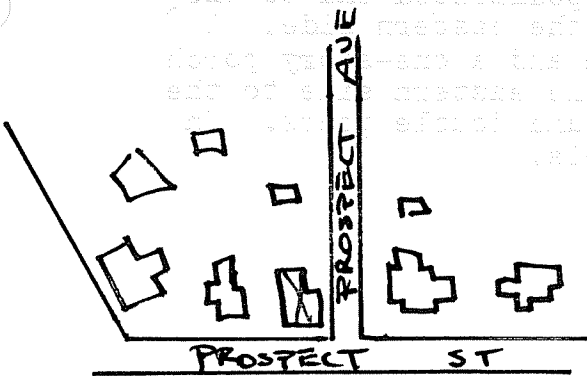
Approximate frontage

Approximate distance of building from street

6. Recorded by E. Lonergan

Organization NHC

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(over)

7. Original owner (if known) Frederick G. Jager (?)

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)

The Jager family is first known to have resided on this site in 1860. John Jager was employed by the Bay State Hardware Co. and his house is shown on the map of that year. After his decease his widow and three sons lived here. By 1895 the widow had died and two of the sons had built new houses on the homestead, apparently demolishing the older house in the process. This house was occupied by Frederick Jager, a machinist who specialized in trimmings for musical instruments.

The house is 2½ stories in height with pedimented end to the street and a 2½ story pedimented projection on the eastern side. A stylized Palladian window occupies the tympanum and a one-story porch covers the three-bay facade and extends along the eastern side to the projection. The porch has a slate hipped roof and double posts. In the rear is a 1½ story carriage house with cupola.

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, 1875-76, 1885-86, 1900, 1905, 1922.