

FORM B - BUILDING

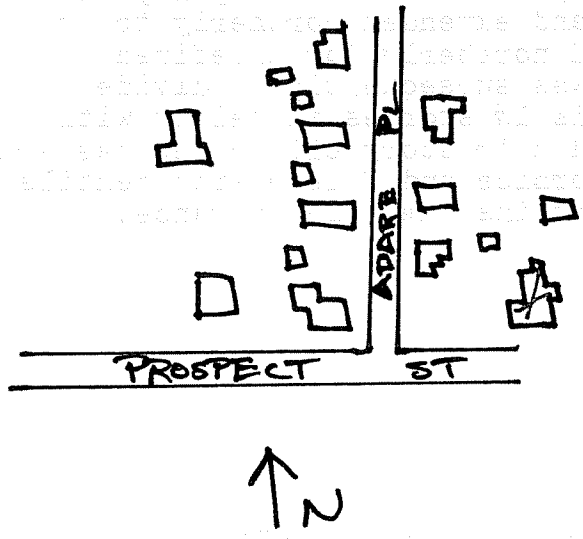
MASSACHUSETTS HISTORICAL COMMISSION
Office of the Secretary, State House, Boston

In Area no.	Form no.
	24C-12



1 Northampton
 Address 271 Prospect St.
 Name P. Maloney House
 Present use residence
 Present owner Grace Maloney
 Description:
 Date 1860-68
 Source Map and Directory
 Date
 Architect

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



Exterior wall fabric brick
 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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(over)

7. Original owner (if known) Patrick Maloney (?)

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	<u>X</u>	Industry	_____	Social/ humanitarian	_____
Commerce	_____	Military	_____	Transportation	_____
Communication	_____	Political	_____		
Community development	_____				

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

Prospect St. was first laid out in the 18th century as an alternate route westwards around Round Hill. It left Elm St. south and east of the hill and rejoined the street north and west of the hill. Elm St. was the main "Stage Road" from Northampton westwards into the Berkshires. The 1831 map shows only a few houses along the street and only three of these were westerly of the King St. Brook crossing. This area went by the name of Blackpole and since at least 1831 has been the site of the town's Alms House (now occupied by the Northampton Water Dept.).

This house first appears on the 1873 atlas as the property of Patrick Maloney, a Main St. grocer. The land extended northerly to the Williamsburg RR crossing, and then continued northerly for undefined distance on the map. This large property was subsequently subdivided by the opening of Adare Place. The house is 1½ stories in height with steeply-pitched gable end to the street and a 1½ story ell on the eastern side. A one-story porch with projecting cornice and frieze with dentils covers the front of the side ell, which contains the main entrance.

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

- 1794 and 1831 Town Maps.
- 1860 County Map.
- 1873, 1884 and 1895 Atlases.
- Northampton Directory: 1868-69, 1873-74.