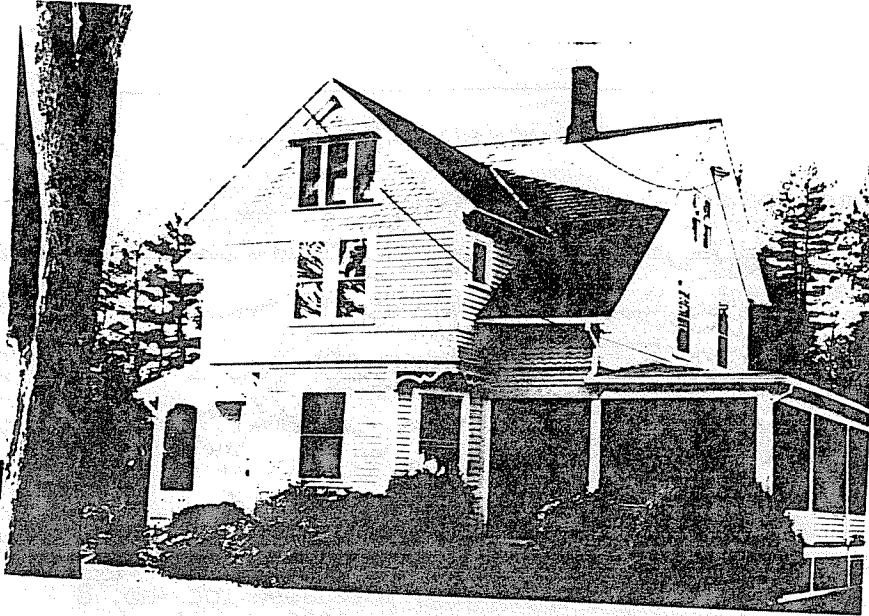


FORM B - BUILDING

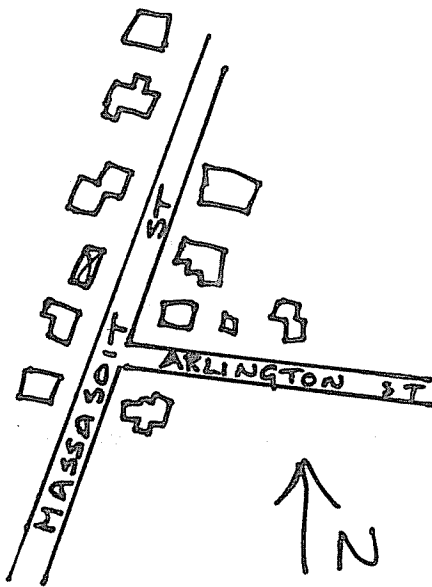
MASSACHUSETTS HISTORICAL COMMISSION  
Office of the Secretary, State House, Boston

In Area no.	Form no.
	24C-74



1 Town Northampton  
 Address 44 Massasoit St.  
 Name J.W. Draper House  
 Present use residence  
 Present owner Anna Kowalesky  
 Description:  
 Date 1889-95  
 Source Reg. of Deeds and Atlas  
 Architect \_\_\_\_\_

4. Map. Draw sketch 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 x Over one acre \_\_\_\_\_  
 Approximate frontage \_\_\_\_\_  
 Approximate distance of building from street \_\_\_\_\_  
 6. Recorded by E. Lonergan  
 Organization NHC  
 Date March 1980

(over)

7. Original owner (if known) John W. Draper

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)

Massasoit St. was laid out in 1869 but most of the development took place between the mid 1880's and mid 1890's. In 1889 John W. Draper, co-proprietor of a firm which did tinning, plumbing, and steam and gas fitting, purchased lot no. 8 of the subdivision plan for \$425. This house was constructed by 1895 when it appears on the atlas, and served as Mr. Draper's homestead.

The house is two stories in height with ridge roof and 2½ story gabled projection to the front. Decorative boarding is used in the front gable and as a belt course between first and second stories. The entrance is located at the southern end of the facade and has a small porch with hipped roof, square posts with brackets and a patterned balustrade. The northern side of the house is covered by a one-story porch with hipped roof and square posts.

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

1884 and 1895 Atlases.  
 Registry of Deeds: Bk. 424-P. 53, 406-33, 402-144.  
 Northampton Directory: 1895-96.