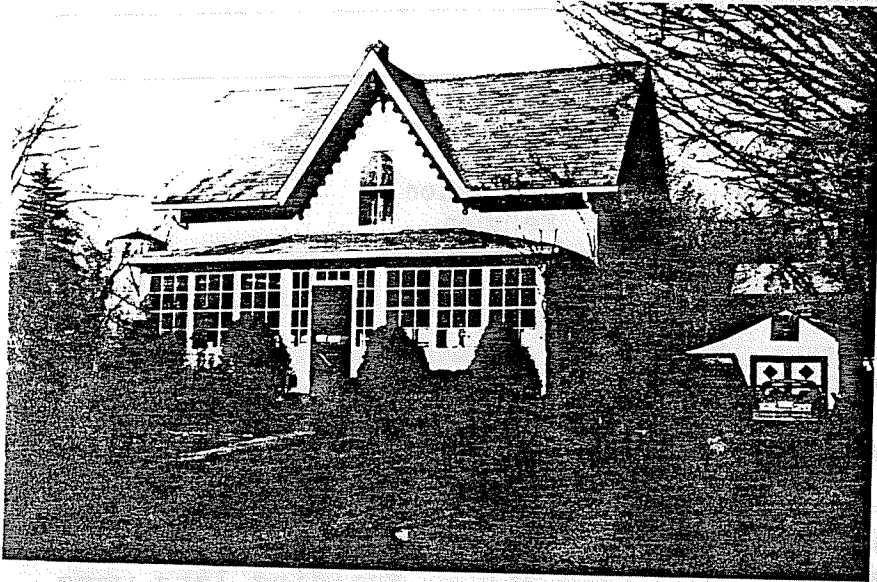


FORM B - BUILDING

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

In Area no.	Form no.
	11A-22



in Northampton

Address 54 Upland Road

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Present use \_\_\_\_\_

Present owner John Helems

Description: \_\_\_\_\_

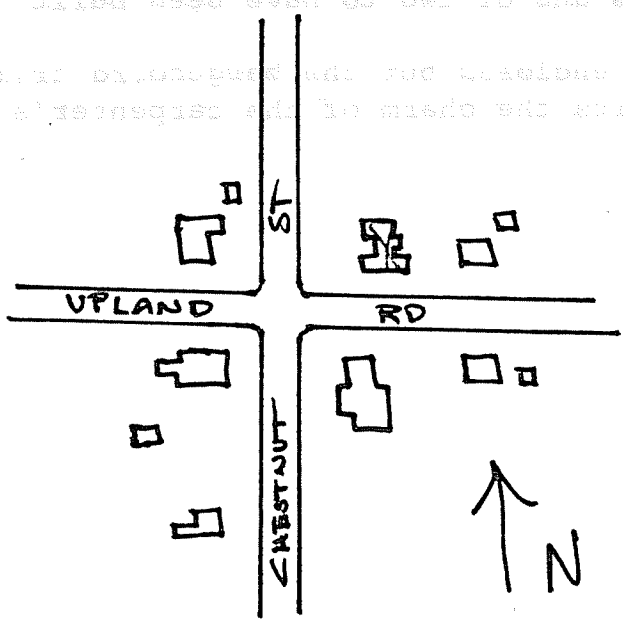
Year 1873-84

Source Atlases

File \_\_\_\_\_

Architect \_\_\_\_\_

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



Exterior wall fabric clapboard

Outbuildings (describe) garage

Other features front cross gable with barge board trim

Altered porch enclosed Date 20th C.

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

Date March 1980

(over)

Original owner (if known) \_\_\_\_\_

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	_____				

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

This 1½ story cottage was built in the subdivision on the hill overlooking the manufacturing village of Leeds. During the 1870's the Nonotuck Silk Co. opened up four streets atop this hill. Building lots were sold or houses were built for lease. General J.L. Otis, a principal in the Northampton Emory Wheel Co., one of Leeds main industries, bought several of the lots on the north side of Center St. (now known as Upland Rd.). The 1884 Atlas shows this house as one of two to have been built by this time.

The cottage's front porch has been enclosed but the bargeboard trim of the facade's cross gable still exhibits the charm of the carpenter's skill.

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

1873, 1884 & 1895 Atlases