

FORM B - BUILDING

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

In Area no.	Form no.
	24D-247



City Northampton

Address 52 Crescent St.

Use residence

Present owner Clarke School for the

Description: Deaf

Construction 1884-95

Source Atlases

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

Architect \_\_\_\_\_

Exterior wall fabric clapboard and wood shingle

Outbuildings (describe) \_\_\_\_\_

Other features \_\_\_\_\_

Altered -- Date \_\_\_\_\_

Moved -- Date \_\_\_\_\_

5. Lot size:

One acre or less \_\_\_\_\_ Over one acre \_\_\_\_\_

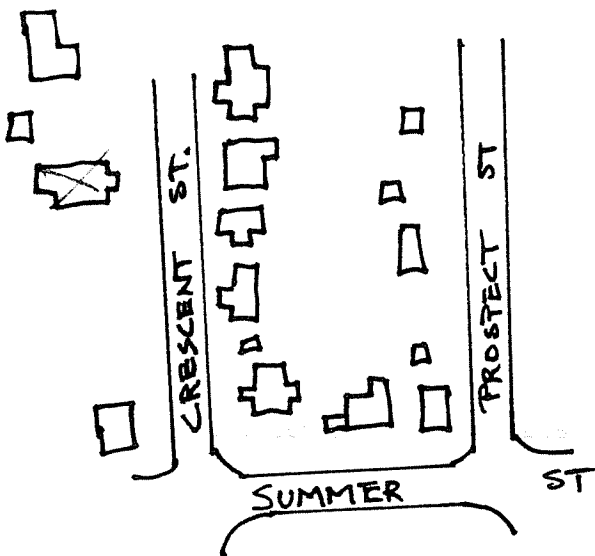
Approximate frontage \_\_\_\_\_

Approximate distance of building from street \_\_\_\_\_

6. Recorded by E. Lonergan

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(over)

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	X	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)

Crescent St. was opened in 1886, and derived its name from its path around three sides of Round Hill. The street cut along the middle slopes of the hill and provided fine vistas of the Connecticut River Valley.

This house first appears on the 1895 atlas, and is the property of Mrs. Ellen Clark. It's 2 and 1/2 stories in height with gable end to the street. The gabled section projects widely from the two story base and has a bow window in the front, and a gabled dormer capping a two-story bay window on the southern side. The southern corner of the facade also has a two-story bay window, and the front porch extends from this bay to the northern corner of the facade. The porch is one-story in height with hipped roof, gabled entrance with sculpted tympanum, spindle frieze, posts and balustrade.

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

1884 and 1895 Atlases.  
Northampton Directory: 1885-86, 1895-96.