

FORM B - BUILDING

MASSACHUSETTS HISTORICAL COMMISSION  
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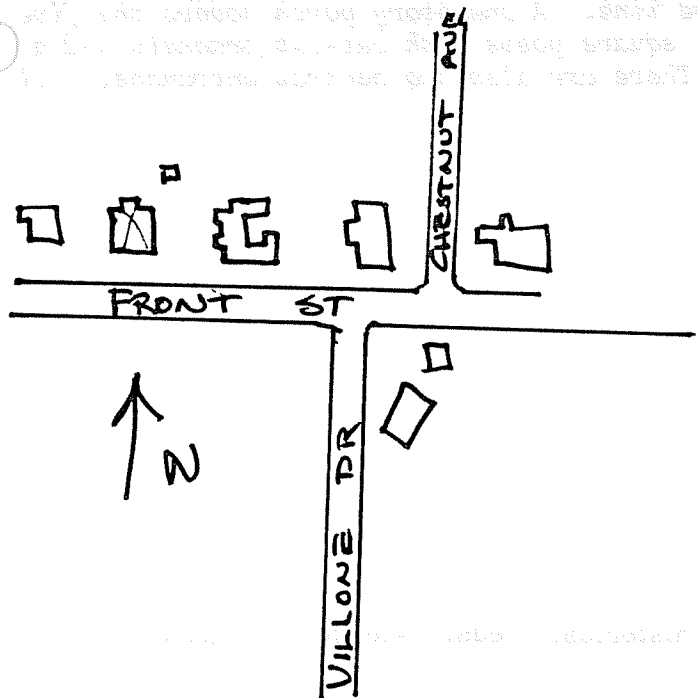
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1 Northampton  
 Address 50-52 Front St.  
 Present use residence

Present owner Stuart and Rose Pippin  
50/52 Front St.  
Owned by Rose M. Pippin  
Ex Wall Fabric-Vinyl siding

in relation to nearest cross streets and other buildings. Indicate north.



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  
 Date May 1980

(over)

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

Original use residence

Subsequent uses (if any) and dates \_\_\_\_\_

8. Themes (check as many as applicable)

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|-----------------------|----------|----------------------------|-------|-------------------------|-------|
| Aboriginal            | _____    | Conservation               | _____ | Recreation              | _____ |
| Agricultural          | _____    | Education                  | _____ | Religion                | _____ |
| Architectural         | _____    | Exploration/<br>settlement | _____ | Science/<br>invention   | _____ |
| The Arts              | _____    | Industry                   | _____ | Social/<br>humanitarian | _____ |
| Commerce              | _____    | Military                   | _____ | Transportation          | _____ |
| Communication         | _____    | Political                  | _____ |                         |       |
| Community development | <u>x</u> |                            |       |                         |       |

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

*This large double house was probably built as a tenement house for the Nonotuck Silk Co. In 1862 Benjamin North sold his Main and Mulberry Sts. Store to the Company, and it was at this time that he probably also sold his property up on the hill on Front St. The 1860 map shows two houses owned by the North family and it's possible that this is the one owned by Mrs. O. North.*

*The house is two-and-a-half stories in height with gables to the sides and two interior chimneys on the ridge line. A one-story porch covers the five-bay facade. This is composed of shed roof, square posts with cut-out brackets and a balustrade with simple, square balusters. There are also two central entrances. All of the windows have six over six sashes.*

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

- 1831 Town Map.
- 1860 County Atlas.
- 1873, 1884 and 1895 Atlases.
- Northampton Directory: 1922, 1895-96, 1875-76.
- Registry of Deeds: Bk. 298-P. 109.