

FORM B - BUILDING

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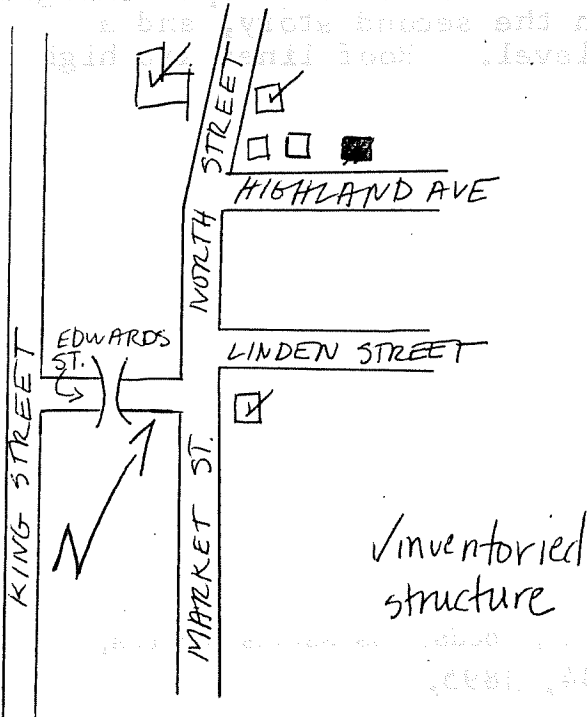
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In Area no.	Form no.
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1 Northampton
 Address Highland Avenue 14-20
 Name C. S. Stevens Apartments
 Present use Apartments-residential
 Present owner Paul & Teresa Smith
 Description:
c. 1890
 Source Atlases of Northampton; visual evidence
Shingle style

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



Architect unknown
 Exterior wall fabric wooden shingles; clapboards
 Outbuildings (describe) none
 Other features two corner towers; central gable; hipped roof, rear; ridge roof and chimneys, front.
 Altered no Date _____
 Moved no Date _____

5. Lot size:
 Less than one acre x Over one acre _____
 Approximate frontage 60 feet
 Approximate distance of building from street 15 feet

6. Recorded by C. Dubie
 Organization Northampton Historical Commission
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7. Original owner (if known) C. E. Stevens

Original use Apartments

Subsequent uses (if any) and dates Apartments

8. Themes (check as many as applicable)

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| Aboriginal | <input type="checkbox"/> | Conservation | <input type="checkbox"/> | Recreation | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Agricultural | <input type="checkbox"/> | Education | <input type="checkbox"/> | Religion | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Architectural | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | Exploration/
settlement | <input type="checkbox"/> | Science/
invention | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| The Arts | <input type="checkbox"/> | Industry | <input type="checkbox"/> | Social/ | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Commerce | <input type="checkbox"/> | Military | <input type="checkbox"/> | Humanitarian | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Communication | <input type="checkbox"/> | Political | <input type="checkbox"/> | Transportation | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Community development | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | | | | |

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

C. E. Stevens owned a homestead on North Street to the rear of which Highland Avenue was opened in the period 1885-1895. Stevens owned three lots on the new street and built a shingle style apartment block on the westernmost of the lots by 1895.

The block is distinguished by two three story turrets with prominent conical hoods. The massing is symmetrical, with a shingled gable appearing between the turrets. While the towers are strongly vertical in their orientation, the surfaces of the walls are treated as three horizontal sections: scalloped shingling in the third story, small shingles in the second story, and a recent, "stone" treatment at ground level. Roof lines are high and chimneys modest.

10. Bibliography and/or references (such as local histories, deeds, assessor's records, early maps, etc.) Atlas of Northampton, 1884, 1895.