

FORM B - BUILDING

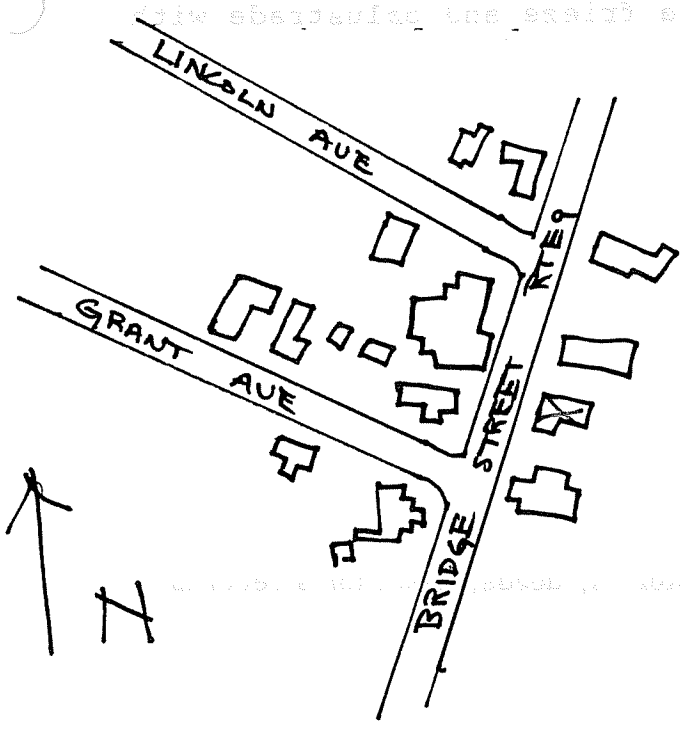
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MASSACHUSETTS HISTORICAL COMMISSION
Office of the Secretary, State House, Boston



1. Northampton
 Address 239 Bridge St.
 Type of residence
 Present use _____
 Present owner John and Helen Smith
 Description: _____
 Date c. 1895
 Source Atlas
 Date _____
 Architect _____

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



Exterior wall fabric clapboard

Outbuildings (describe) _____

Other features wrap-around porch with turned posts, spindle frieze and balustrade

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)

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 | <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)

This house first appears on the 1895 atlas. It is shown as the residence of Joseph Murray, building mover and stone mason, and stylistically seems to date from about this time.

The house is two and a half stories in height with gable end to the street. Decoratively cut shingles are used in the front gable. A one-story porch wraps around the facade and most of the western side. This is composed of turned posts, spindle frieze and balustrade with turned balusters.

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

1895 and 1873 Atlases.
Northampton Directory: 1895-96, 1885-86.