# FORM F - STRUCTURE

## MASSACHUSETTS HISTORICAL COMMISSION
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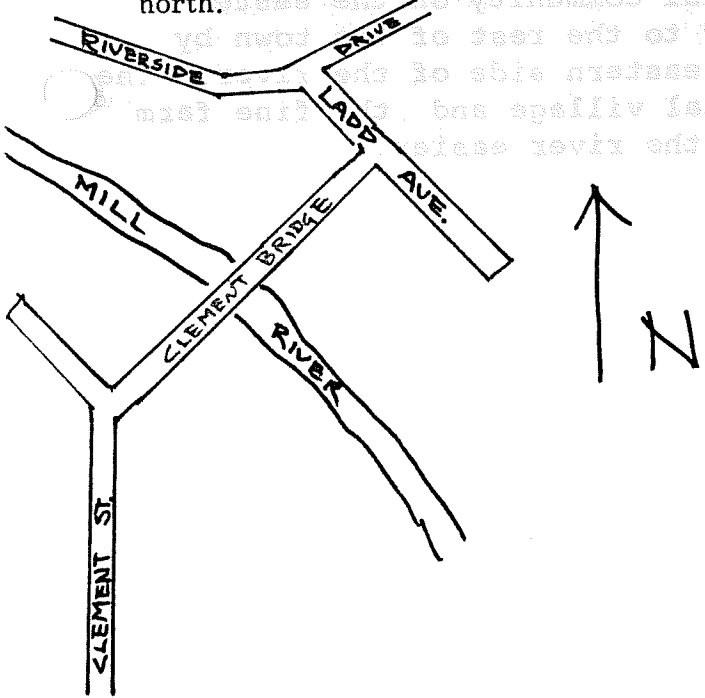
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Northampton

ess   Clement Street

(crossing Mill River)

.   Clement Street Bridge

ent use ___ bridge ___

ent owner _____

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of structure (check one)

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|---|---|---|---|---|
| l | | | powder house | |
| | | | street | |
| | | | tower | |
| | | | tunnel | |
| | | kiln | wall | |
| | | lighthouse | windmill | |
| | | | other _____ | |

4. Map. Draw sketch of structure's location in
relation to nearest cross streets, buildings,
other structures, natural features. Indicate
north.

RIVERSIDE DRIVE

LADD AVE.

MILL

CLEMENT BRIDGE

RIVER

CLEMENT ST.

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5. Description

Date ___ 1884-1895 ___

Source   Atlases

_____

Construction material ___ iron ___

Dimensions   50'long, 15' wide

Setting _____

Condition _____

6. Recorded by  E. Lonergan

Organization  NHC

Date  April 1980

DO NOT WRITE IN THIS SPACE
USGS Quadrant _____

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(over)

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7. Original owner (if known)_____

   Original use_____bridge_____

   Subsequent uses (if any) and dates_____

8. Themes (check as many as applicable)

   Aboriginal
   Agricultural                     _____   Conservation     _____   Recreation        _____
   Architectural                    _____   Education        _____   Religion          _____
   The Arts                         _____   Exploration/             Science/          _____
   Commerce                         _____     settlement     _____     invention
   Communication                    _____   Industry         _____   Social/           _____
   Community development            _____   Military                   humanitarian
                                            Political        _____   Transportation      _x_

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

   This bridge, constructed between 1884 and 1895, is the only crossing of the Mill River between Florence and the West St. bridge south of Smith College.  The Bay State section of Northampton had been developed in the early 1840's as a small industrial community on the eastern banks of the Mill River, and was linked to the rest of the town by Riverside Drive, which was also on the eastern side of the river.  The bridge made travel between the industrial village and  the fine farm and meadow land on the eastern side of the river easier.

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

    1884 and 1895 Atlases.