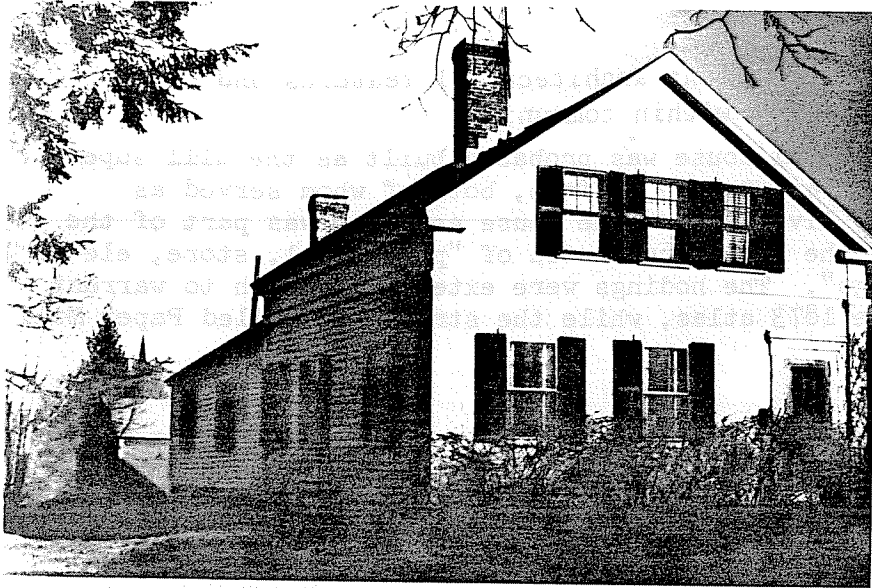


FORM B - BUILDING

Area	Form no.
	30B-114

MASSACHUSETTS HISTORICAL COMMISSION
 294 Washington Street, Boston, MA 02108



Northampton

s 89 Federal St.

ic Name _____

iginal residence

resent residence

hip: Private individual
 Private organization _____

Public _____

Original owner _____

OPTION:

c. 1840

cross streets and other buildings
or geographical features.

Indicate north.

Date c. 1840

Source visual evidence

Style Greek Revival

Architect _____

Exterior wall fabric clapboard

Outbuildings _____

Major alterations (with dates) _____

Moved --- Date _____

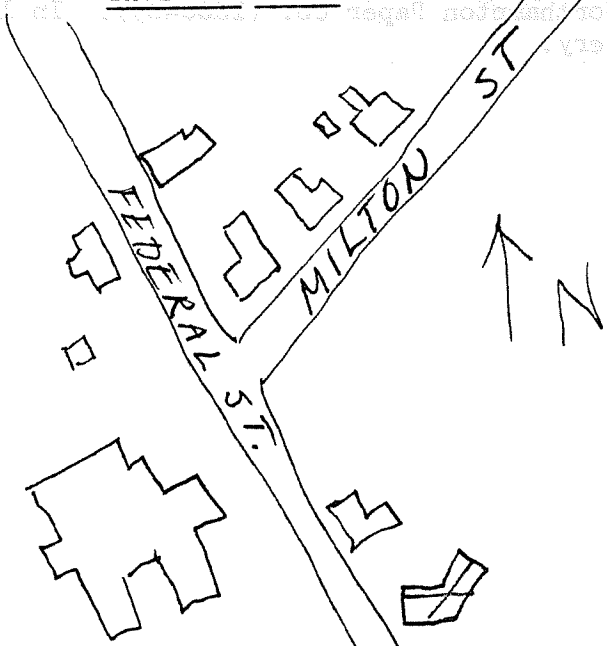
Approx. acreage _____

Setting _____

Recorded by E. Lonergan

Organization NHC

Date May 1980



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ARCHITECTURAL SIGNIFICANCE (describe important architectural features and evaluate in terms of other buildings within community)

This Greek Revival house was probably built as the mill superintendent's house. Rockwell Wilson and George Hoffman, both of whom served as superintendent of the nearby mill, lived here. The house and land was part of the paper mill property, which during the 1860's consisted of "paper mill, store, eleven dwelling houses and other buildings". The holdings were extensive enough to warrant the name Paper Mill Village on the 1873 atlas, while the street was called Paper Mill Row in the 1873-74 directory.

HISTORICAL SIGNIFICANCE (explain the role owners played in local or state history and how the building relates to the development of the community)

Vernon St. and Federal St. were originally known as Paper Mill Rd. and led from Elm St. to the paper mill at the confluence of the Mill River and Broughton Meadow Brook. A paper mill was established here by William Butler in 1786. Successive companies included: Northampton Papermills (1835-43), William Clark and Co. (1843-69), Vernon Paper Co. (1869-86), and Northampton Paper Co. (1888-89). In 18 the mill was transformed to manufacture cutlery.

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