

FORM B - BUILDING

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

In Area no.	Form no.
	31A-227



1 Northampton

Address 34 Harrison Avenue

Owner C. Thompson

Present use residence

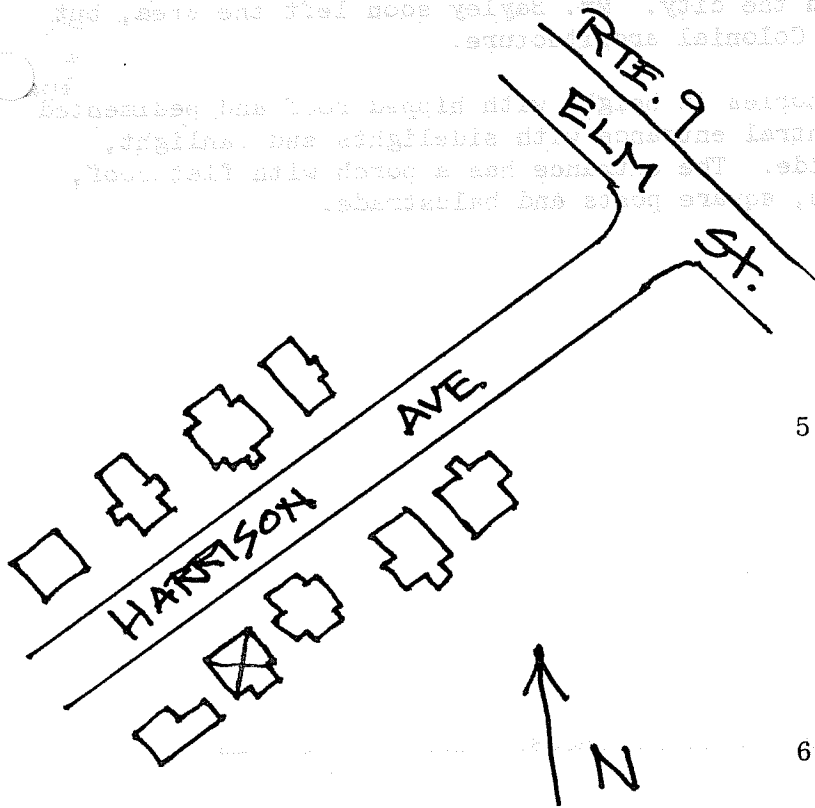
Present owner Paul & Cynthia Seton

Description: 1890-95

Source Req. of Deeds & Atlas

Style Colonial Revival

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



Architect Putnam and Bayley

Exterior wall fabric clapboard

Outbuildings (describe) _____

Other features hip roof with pedimented dormers, 2 large Palladian windows, portico, entrance with fanlight and sidelights

Altered --- Date _____

Moved --- Date _____

5. Lot size:

One acre or less Over one acre _____

Approximate frontage _____

Approximate distance of building from street

25'

6. Recorded by E. Lonergan

Organization NHC

Date March 1980

(over)

7. Original owner (if known) Caroline A. Thompson

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 | <u>x</u> | | | | |

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

This house was built in 1895 for Miss Caroline Thompson from plans of local architects Putnam and Bayley at a cost of \$5000. Putnam and Bayley established themselves in Northampton in 1893, with R.F. Putnam coming from Amherst, Mass., and Lewis Bayley coming from Louisville, Ky. Within a few years they had established themselves as one of the leading firms in the city. Mr. Bayley soon left the area, but Mr. Putnam remained. His specialty was Colonial architecture.

The house is two stories in height with hipped roof and pedimented dormers. The three-bay facade has a central entrance with sidelights and fanlight, flanked by a Palladian window on each side. The entrance has a porch with flat roof, projecting cornice with console brackets, square posts and balustrade.

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

1884 & 1895 Atlases
 Northampton Directory: 1895-6, 1922
 Registry of Deeds: Bk.449-P.411
 Daily Hampshire Gazette Nov. 30, 1895.
 Springfield Daily Republican Dec. 28, 1895.