

FORM B - BUILDING

MASSACHUSETTS HISTORICAL COMMISSION
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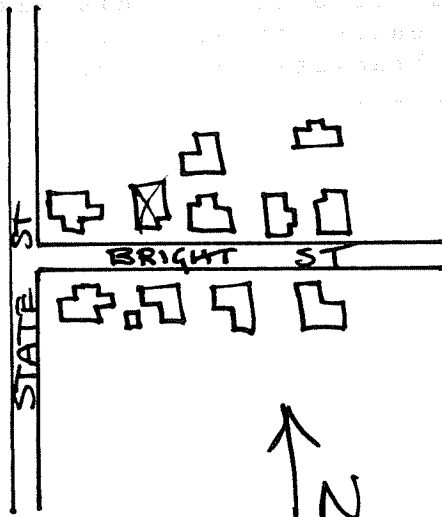
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1 Northampton
 Address 33 Bright St.
 Use residence
 Present owner North Hatfield Realty Inc.
 Description: 1882-84
 Source Reg. of Deeds and Atlas
 Architect Wm. F. Pratt and son

in relation to nearest cross streets and other buildings. Indicate north.

Exterior wall fabric asphalt siding
 Outbuildings (describe) _____
 Other features _____
 Altered sided Date mid 20th c.
 Moved _____ Date _____



5. Lot size:
 One acre or less X Over one acre _____
 Approximate frontage _____
 Approximate distance of building from street _____
 6. Recorded by E. Lonergan
 Organization NHC
 Date May 1980

(over)

Parker R. Whitcomb

7. Original owner (if known) _____

Original use _____ residence _____

Subsequent uses (if any) and dates _____

8. Themes (check as many as applicable)

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 is one of eight houses built from designs of William F. Pratt and Son in the early 1880's for Parker Whitcomb. Mr. Whitcomb and Prof. Benjamin Blodgett collaborated and opening on Bright St. between King St. and State St. in 1882. Over the next two years Mr. Whitcomb had two houses built on either side of the western end of Bright St. and four houses on State St. He retained ownership of the houses after they were built and leased them to tenants.

This house is two-and-a-half stories in height with hipped gables to either side. The facade is three bays wide with the central bay consisting of a two-and-a-half story gabled projection. This has the entrance and a small entrance and a small entry porch. The front gable has arched bargeboards supported by double brackets and an oculus within, while the side gables have "Palladian" windows.

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

1873, 1884 and 1895 Atlases.
Registry of Deeds: Bk. 370-P. 345, 367-85, 385-31.