

FORM B - BUILDING

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

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In Area no.	Form no.
	31B-151



1 Northampton

Address 17 Trumbull Rd.

Name P. Toohy House

Present use residence

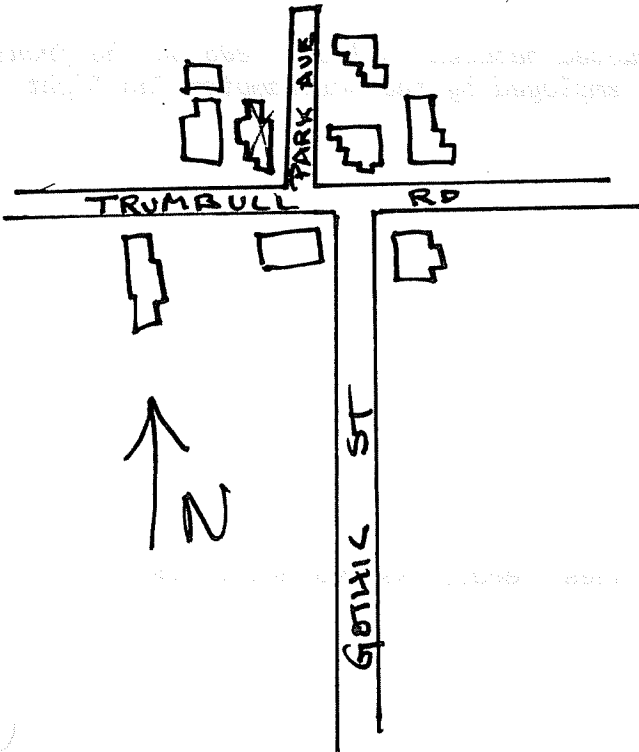
Present owner Harold and Emily Asher

Description: 1891-95

Source Reg. of Deeds and Atlas

Reference

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



Architect

Exterior wall fabric clapboard

Outbuildings (describe)

Other features

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

Organization NHC

Date May 1980

(over)

7. Original owner (if known) Patrick and Margaret Toohey

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 forms a complementary pair with the house next west (no. 19). Both houses feature corner towers with flaring pyramidal roofs, slate hipped roofs with front and side gabled projections, decoratively-cut shingles, and two-story front porches with Tuscan columns.

This house has a front gable with diamond-pattern shingles and a small porch recessed behind the large semi-circular opening. The second floor porch has been enclosed, but still retains its spindle frieze while the first floor porch has a simple balustrade.

Both of these houses were constructed between 1891 and 1895 on the front part of the old Abell homestead. Mr. Toohey was employed by the Northampton Gas Light Co.

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

- 1884 and 1895 Atlases.*
- Registry of Deeds: Bk. 443-P. 129.*
- Northampton Directory: 1895-96, 1905.*