

FORM B - BUILDING

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

In Area no. <u>G</u>	Form no. <u>31B-196</u>
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Northampton
14 Henshaw Avenue
Residential
Smith College
1887
Registry of Deeds, 410,333
Queen Anne

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



Architect unknown
 Exterior wall fabric wood
 Outbuildings (describe) none
 Other features hipped roof, gables, hooded dormers; sections of scalloped shingles; porches w/turned rails
 Altered no Date _____
 Moved no Date _____

5. Lot size:
 Less than one acre x Over one acre _____
 Approximate frontage 75 feet
 Approximate distance of building from street 20 feet

6. Recorded by C. Dubie
 Organization Northampton Historical Commission
 Date June 7, 1976

DO NOT WRITE IN THIS SPACE
 USGS Quadrant _____
 MHC Photo no. _____

✓ INVENTORIED PROPERTY

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7. Original owner (if known) Mary E. Denniston

Original use Residence

Subsequent uses (if any) and dates Residence

8. Themes (check as many as applicable)

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| Aboriginal | <input type="checkbox"/> | Conservation | <input type="checkbox"/> | Recreation | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Agricultural | <input type="checkbox"/> | Education | <input type="checkbox"/> | Religion | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Architectural | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | Exploration/
settlement | <input type="checkbox"/> | Science/
invention | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| The Arts | <input type="checkbox"/> | Industry | <input type="checkbox"/> | Social/ | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Commerce | <input type="checkbox"/> | Military | <input type="checkbox"/> | Humanitarian | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Communication | <input type="checkbox"/> | Political | <input type="checkbox"/> | Transportation | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Community development | <input type="checkbox"/> | | | | |

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

Mary Denniston purchased the rear of the Pearson property, corner of Elm and Henshaw, in June 1887. It is likely that the dwelling was built soon after. Its distinctive shape—the jutting hooded mass at the southeast corner—is indicated on the atlas of 1895.

Strongly vertical in emphasis, the asymmetrical mass is terminated in the peaks of gables and dormers. As typical of the Queen Anne, shingles are used in the design but are carefully confined to portions of the facade by clapboards or other decorative panels. A two story porch with boldly turned supports enhances the sense of creative use of wood.

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

Registry of Deeds, Hampshire County, 410.333.