

FORM B - BUILDING

MASSACHUSETTS HISTORICAL COMMISSION  
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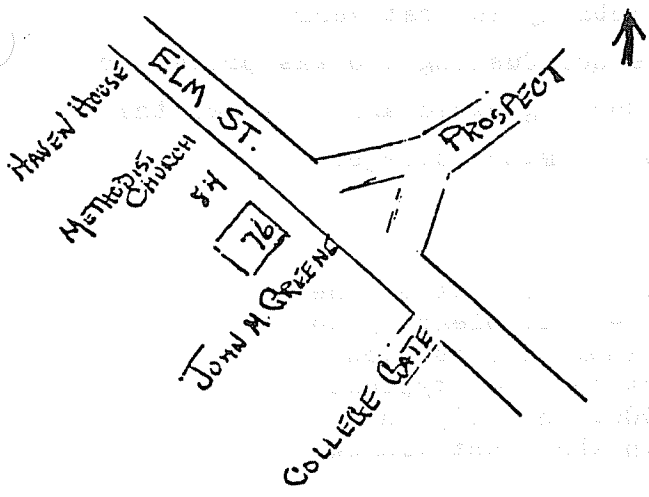
In Area no.	Form no.
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1. Town Northampton  
 Address 76 Elm Street  
 Name E. Hopkins House  
 Present use Residence  
 Present owner Smith College  
 3. Description: Two story frame  
 Date 1889  
 Source Deeds  
 Style ~~Queen Anne~~ CRAFTSMAN  
 Architect ?  
 Exterior wall fabric Wood  
 Outbuildings (describe) none  
 Other features \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_  
 Altered no Date \_\_\_\_\_  
 Moved no Date \_\_\_\_\_  
 5. Lot size: 50 ft x 100ft  
 One acre or less x Over one acre \_\_\_\_\_  
 Approximate frontage 50 ft  
 Approximate distance of building from street  
25ft  
 6. Recorded by E. T. Lincoln  
 Organization Northampton Hist. Comm  
 Date Nov. 1977

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



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

(over)

7. Original owner (if known) Elizabeth Jarvis Hopkins

Original use Residence

Subsequent uses (if any) and dates same

8. Themes (check as many as applicable)

Aboriginal	<u>      </u>	Conservation	<u>      </u>	Recreation	<u>      </u>
Agricultural	<u>      </u>	Education	<u>  x  </u>	Religion	<u>      </u>
Architectural	<u>  x  </u>	Exploration/ settlement	<u>      </u>	Science/ invention	<u>      </u>
The Arts	<u>      </u>	Industry	<u>      </u>	Social/ humanitarian	<u>      </u>
Commerce	<u>      </u>	Military	<u>      </u>	Transportation	<u>      </u>
Communication	<u>      </u>	Political	<u>      </u>		
Community development	<u>  x  </u>				

*First Head of House at S.C.*

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

Miss Elizabeth Hopkins was revered Head of Dewey House from 1875-1890.

In 1889 Miss Hopkins purchased a strip of land 50ft x 100ft from Miss Lydia Tucker who owned the property at 84 Elm, adding triangular pieces from abutting properties to align the property with Elm Street. She built the house, probably in that year.

She willed the property to her friend Eleanor Cushing who was professor of Mathematics at Smith College. Miss Cushing owned and occupied the house from 1897 to 1922 when she sold it to Smith College.

Of this house Karl Putnam wrote:

76 ELM STREET, about 1889, one of the last of the Queen Anne houses and one of the most pleasing to look upon. An ingenious but simple disposition of roof over a room arrangement that was typical for twenty-five years after 1900. An early instance of curved plate glass in the front window group.

Karl Putnam, Comment on Buildings. Np. Nd. Smith College Archives

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

Register of Deeds

Book 423 p. 23 1889 Lydia M. Tucker to Elizabeth J. Hopkins

781 431 1922 Eleanor p. Cushing to Smith College

Register of Probate

Box 298 No 26 Eliz. J. Hopkins to Eleanor Cushing 1897 3/73