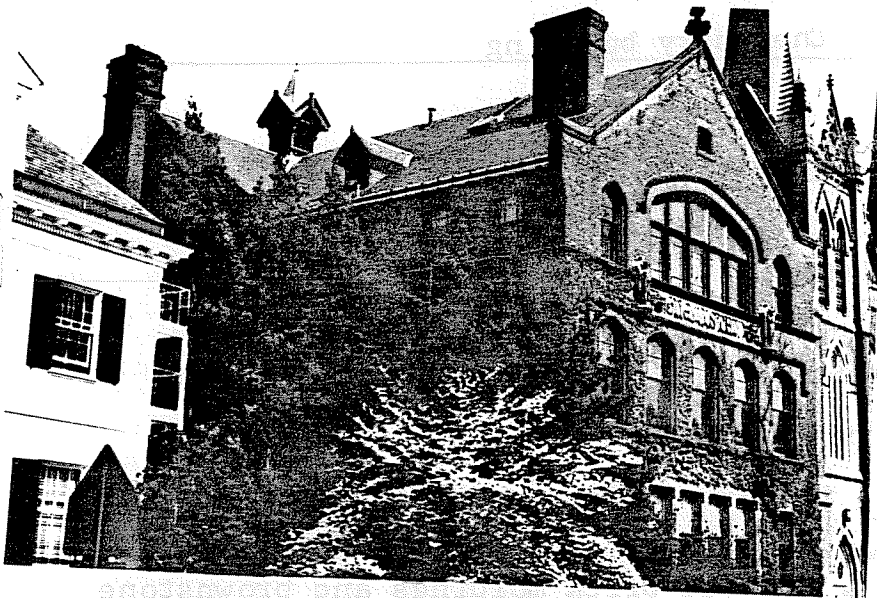


FORM B - BUILDING

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

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In Area no. 7	Form no. 31D102
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Northampton
Elm Street,
Smith College Campus

Stoddard Hall

present use Classroom building

present owner Smith College

description: _____

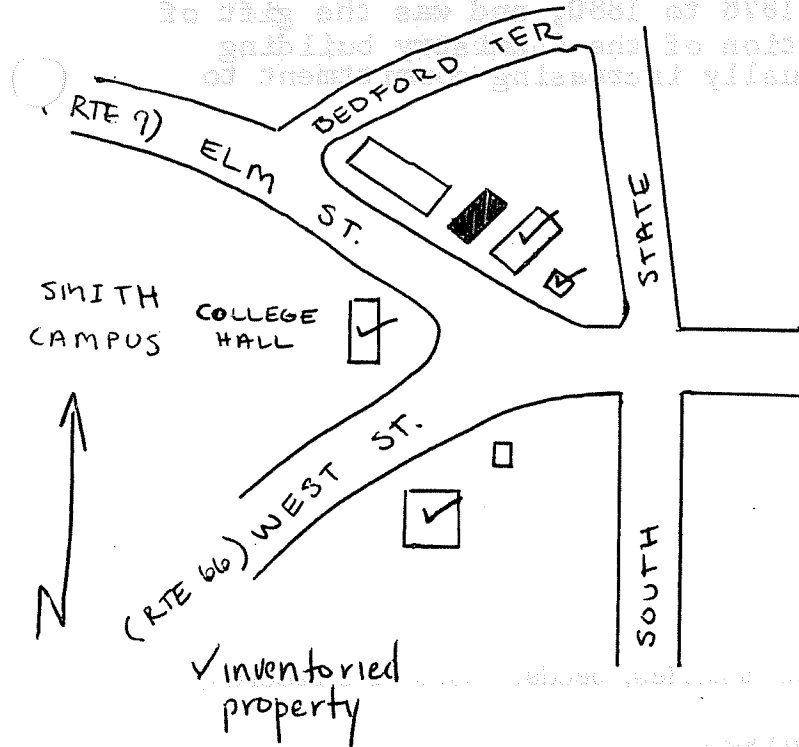
1898-99

source Smith College Archives

Queen Anne/Gothic

architect Hert & Tallant

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



Exterior wall fabric brick

Outbuildings (describe) none

Other features 3 stories; Gable with brownstone trim; molded brick trim; cast symbols; steeple in rear

Altered no Date _____

Moved no Date _____

5. Lot size:
Less than one acre x Over one acre _____

Approximate frontage 175 feet

Approximate distance of building from street 20 feet

6. Recorded by C. Dubie

Organization Northampton Historical Commission

Date May 1976

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USGS Quadrant _____

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7. Original owner (if known) Smith College
 Original use Chemistry building
 Subsequent uses (if any) and dates Chemistry building

8. Themes (check as many as applicable)

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

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

Stoddard Hall was built in 1899 on land owned by Smith College across Elm Street. The structure is typical of the school's brick buildings, although more sedately massed than the gothic designs of the 70's and 80's. Simple brick moldings and brownstone trim provide relief from the plain brick surfaces; a steeple at the intersection of the main mass and small ell.

Stoddard Hall was named for John Tappan Stoddard, professor of physics at the College from 1878 to 1880, and was the gift of the class of '95. The construction of the Chemistry building represented the school's continually increasing commitment to education in the sciences.

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