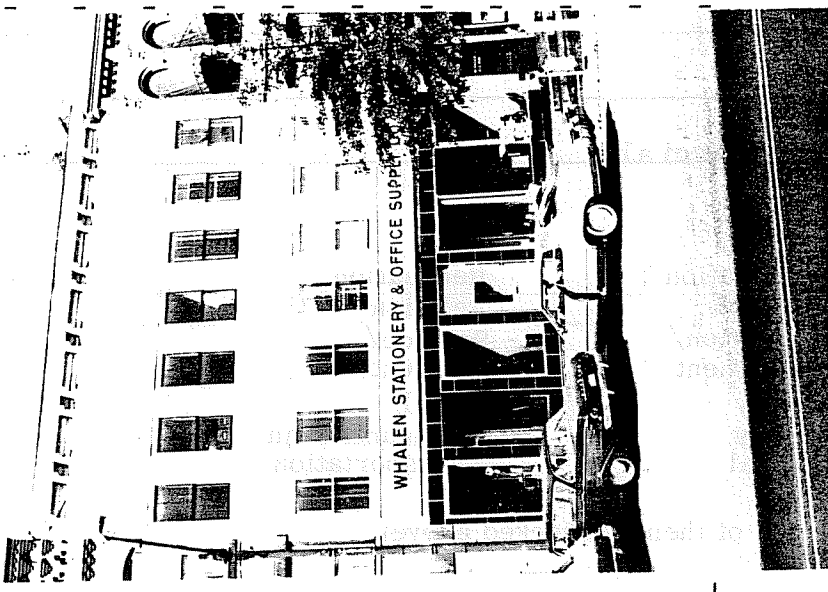


FORM B - BUILDING

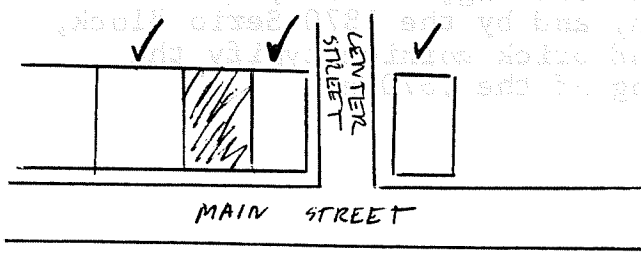
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In Area no. A Form no. 31D-146 791 ✓



own Northampton  
address 141 Main Street  
name Whalen Office Supply  
present use Commercial  
present owner William E, Welch,  
Bernard O'Shea  
description:  
date pre-1865  
Source numerous Gazette references

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



✓ other inventoried property

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Style early Victorian commercial  
Architect unknown  
Exterior wall fabric brick  
Outbuildings (describe) none  
Other features flat stone window  
arches, cast iron columns at base  
Altered painted white Date \_\_\_\_\_  
Moved no Date \_\_\_\_\_

5. Lot size:  
One acre or less x Over one acre \_\_\_\_\_  
Approximate frontage 50'  
Approximate distance of building from street  
5 feet

6. Recorded by Carol Dubie  
Organization Northampton Historical Commission  
Date April 15, 1975

(over)

7. Original owner (if known) unknown

Original use commercial

Subsequent uses (if any) and dates commercial

8. Themes (check as many as applicable)

Aboriginal	<input type="checkbox"/>	Conservation	<input type="checkbox"/>	Recreation	<input type="checkbox"/>
Agricultural	<input type="checkbox"/>	Education	<input type="checkbox"/>	Religion	<input type="checkbox"/>
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9. Historical significance (include explanation of themes checked above)

An early brick block in Northampton. The simple lintels and bracketed cornice indicate that the structure pre-dates the brick blocks constructed 1868-1871 in the downtown business area. Early photographs and sketches of the adjoining Northampton National Bank building also depict this block. No alteration has taken place. The block is abutted by the 1865 Northampton National Bank building, the only cast iron facade in downtown Northampton, and by the 1870 Serio Block, whose rounded window arches and brick cornice typify the Northampton commercial building of the 1870's.

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