

FORM B - BUILDING

Area	Form no.
	32A-46

MASSACHUSETTS HISTORICAL COMMISSION  
 294 Washington Street, Boston, MA 02108



Northampton  
73 Market St.

ic Name \_\_\_\_\_

iginal residence

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ip:  Private individual  
 Private organization \_\_\_\_\_

Public \_\_\_\_\_

iginal owner \_\_\_\_\_

PTION:

Date c. 1830

Source Reg. of Deeds and visual evidence

Style Greek Revival

Architect \_\_\_\_\_

Exterior wall fabric clapboard

Outbuildings \_\_\_\_\_

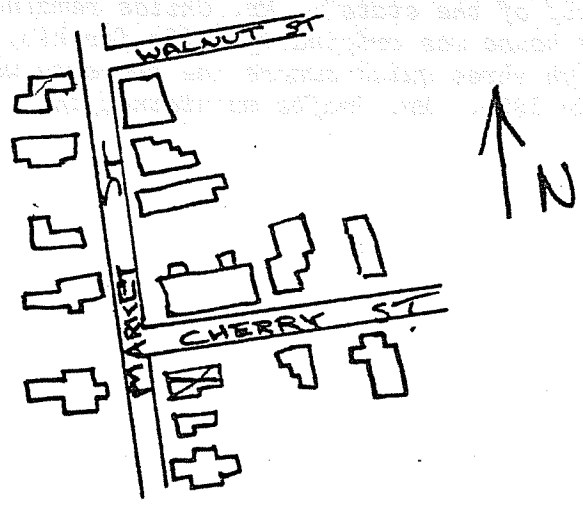
Major alterations (with dates) \_\_\_\_\_

Moved --- Date \_\_\_\_\_

Approx. acreage \_\_\_\_\_

Setting \_\_\_\_\_

LOCATION IN RELATION TO NEAREST  
 cross streets and other buildings  
 or geographical features.  
 Indicate north.



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Organization NHC

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ARCHITECTURAL SIGNIFICANCE (describe important architectural features and evaluate in terms of other buildings within community)

*The house is 2½ stories in height with pedimented end to the street. Within the pediment is a round-headed window form, now covered. The two-bay facade has six over six sash windows on the second floor and a double entrance on the first floor. The entrance is covered by a porch with flat roof, square posts and balustrade.*

HISTORICAL SIGNIFICANCE (explain the role owners played in local or state history and how the building relates to the development of the community)

*This house apparently dates from the 1830's, and is first mentioned in an 1836 deed as the residence of Marcus Moody. In that year the property was sold to Enos Parsons, a "hair-dresser", who later became one of 19th century Northampton's leading lawyers. Mr. Parsons lived here until 1845, at which time the house and lot were sold to Henry Childs, co-proprietor of Bridgman and Childs, "the largest book and publishing house in the western half of the state". Mr. Childs remained here until 1866 and it is possible that the house was originally built for him, replacing the earlier residence. After passing through three quick owners the property was purchased by Josephus Crafts, a "broker", in 1870. Mr. Crafts maintained this as his homestead for the rest of the 19th century.*

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