

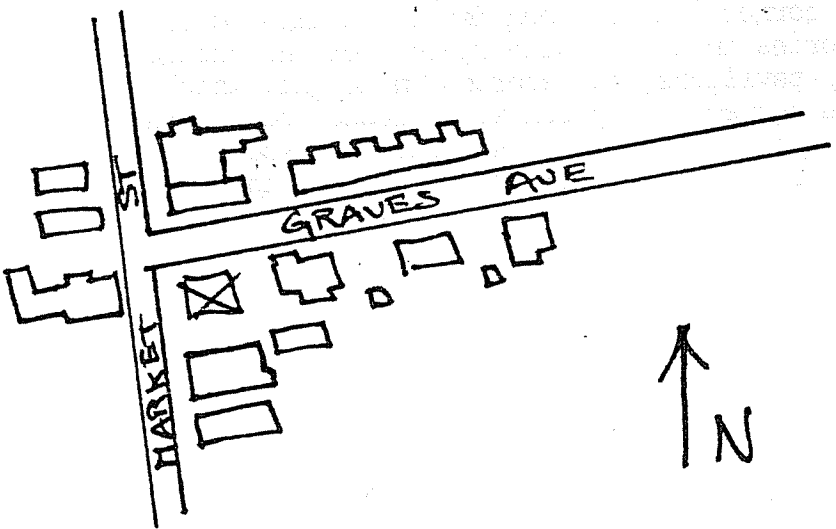
FORM B - BUILDING

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

In Area no.	Form no.
	32A-91



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



Northampton

Address 1-7 Graves Ave.

Present use residence

Present owner John Lenkowski and
Robert Korytoski

Reference 1885-95

Source Reg. of Deeds and Atlas

Architect _____

Exterior wall fabric clapboard

Outbuildings (describe) _____

Other features _____

Altered -- Date _____

Moved -- Date _____

5. Lot size:

One acre or less X Over one acre _____

Approximate frontage 116'

Approximate distance of building from street 12'

6. Recorded by E. Lonergan

Organization NHC

Date April 1980

(over)

7. Original owner (if known) David G. Hall

Original use residence

Subsequent uses (if any) and dates _____

8. Themes (check as many as applicable)

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

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

In 1884 Henry B. Graves filed a subdivision plan for Graves Ave. This street was opened off Market St., through the Graves homestead. This was the last remaining Colonial homestead on Market St., with the others having been subdivided earlier in the 19th century.

The street was quickly developed and by 1895 fourteen of the present fifteen residential buildings had been constructed. There were a mixture of residential types including single-family houses, double houses, a "triple-decker" and several rowhouses of varying lengths. This led to the local paper calling Graves Ave. "our most civilized street".

In 1885 David Hall, a physician at the Northampton State Hospital, bought lot no. 2 on Graves' plan. This corner lot was soon developed with this four tenement row. The block is two stories in height with ridge roof and gabled dormers. The symmetrical facade has two pavilions, two stories in height, which each contain a double entrance, and have a one-story porch with hipped roof, turned posts with brackets and patterned balustrade. There are also four bay windows on the facade. Vertical board friezes are used under the eaves and between the first and second stories of the house.

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

- 1884 and 1895 Atlases.
- Registry of Deeds: Bk. 398-P. 87.
- Northampton Directory: 1885-86, 1895-96, 1922.
- Daily Hampshire Gazette: Nov. 30, 1895.