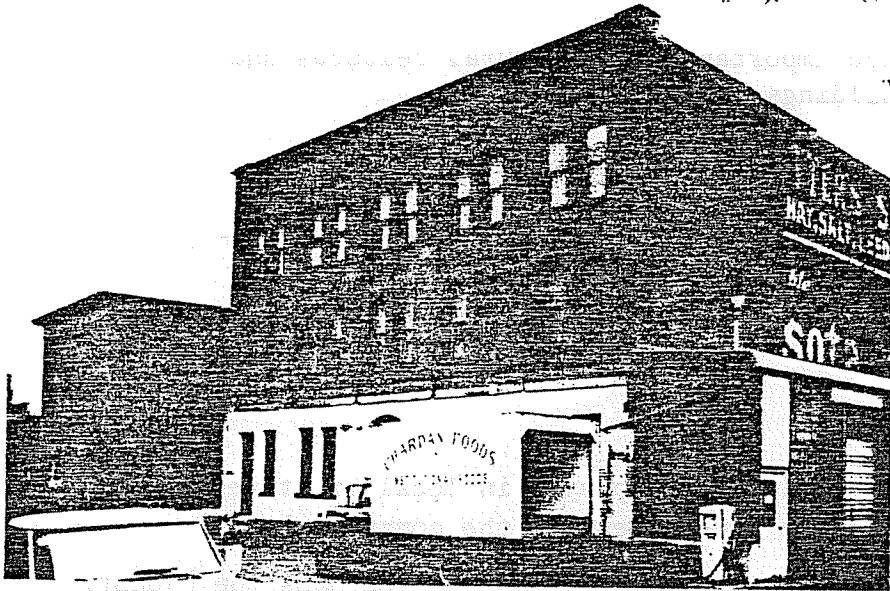


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Northampton

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16- W.N. Potter's Sons & C

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Date c. 1900

Source Atlases and Directories

Style

Architect

Exterior wall fabric brick

Outbuildings

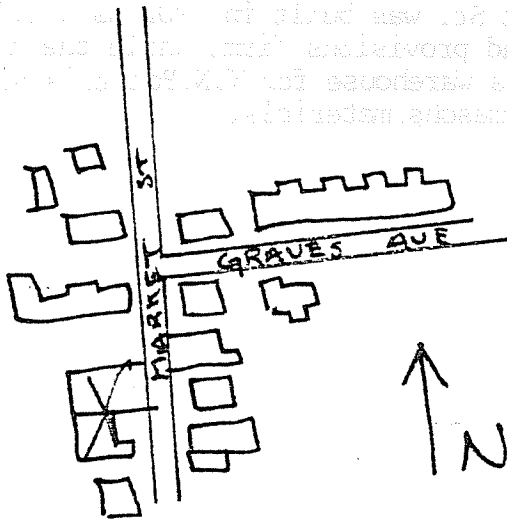
Major alterations (with dates)

Moved — Date

Approx. acreage one acre or less

Setting

cross streets and other buildings  
or geographical features.  
Indicate north.



Recorded by E. Lonergan

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

See Below

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

Market St. is one of Northampton's oldest streets, perhaps the oldest, and was originally a residential street. This remained true until the late 19th century. During the 1840's the main north-south railroad in the Connecticut valley was located just 100' west of Market St., and this allowed spur-track development later in the century. This was predominantly wholesale in nature. By 1915 there were three brick warehouses on the lower end of the western side of Market St.

The two-story block at 12 Market St. was built in 1902 as a cold storage plant for Handy and Miller, a wholesale meat and provisions firm, while the three-story block at 16 Market St. was built about the same time as a warehouse for W.N. Potter's Sons & Co., dealers in flour, feed, grain, hay, straw and masons materials.

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