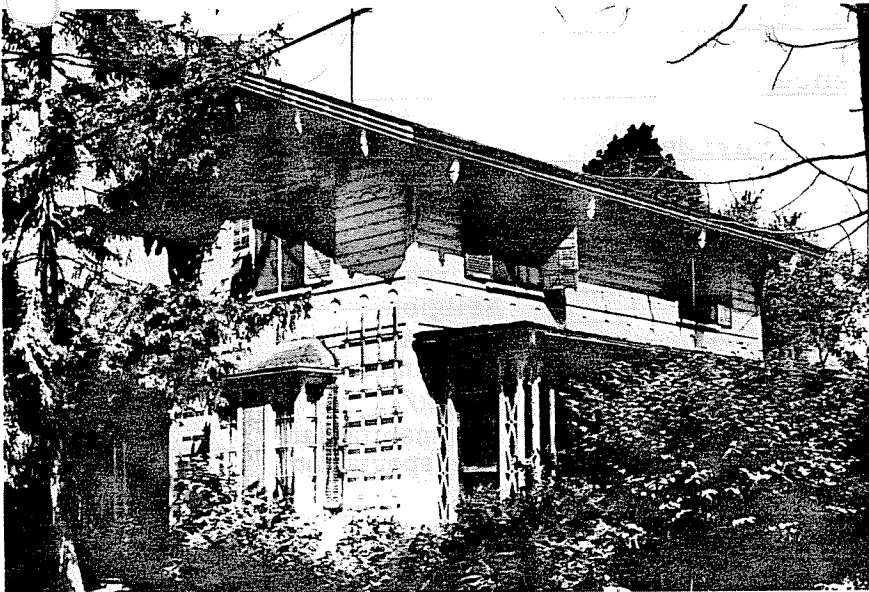


FORM B - BUILDING

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ss 28 Phillips Place

Meekins House

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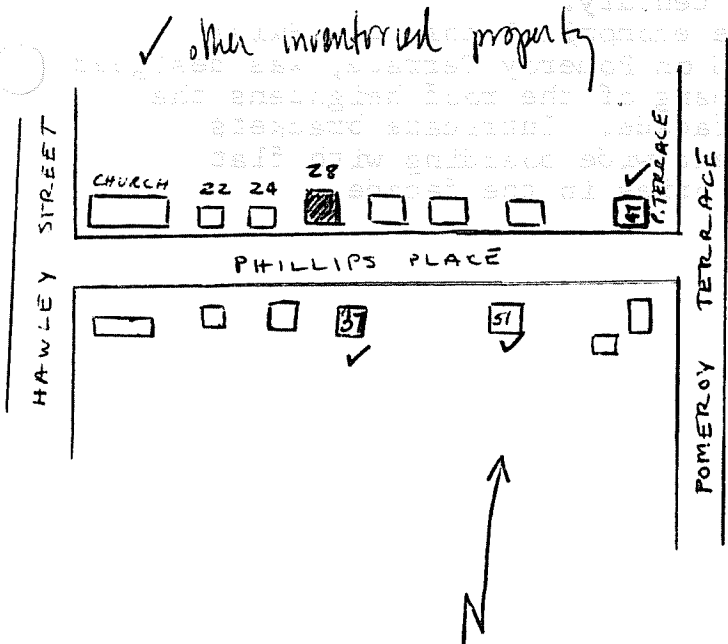
it owner Mary K. Flynn

ption: 1847-1851

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Swiss Cottage

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



Architect Wm. F. Pratt

Exterior wall fabric wood

Outbuildings (describe) attached shed

Other features 2 stories; additions; deep overhang on roof; decorative scallop between stories.

Altered no Date _____

Moved no Date _____

5. Lot size:

One acre or less x Over one acre _____

Approximate frontage 100 feet

Approximate distance of building from street 10 feet

DO NOT WRITE IN THIS SPACE

USGS Quadrant _____

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6. Recorded by C. Dubie

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7. Original owner (if known) Edward Clarke

Original use residence

Subsequent uses (if any) and dates residence

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"/>
Architectural	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Exploration/ settlement	<input type="checkbox"/>	Science/ invention	<input type="checkbox"/>
The Arts	<input type="checkbox"/>	Industry	<input type="checkbox"/>	Social/ humanitarian	<input type="checkbox"/>
Commerce	<input type="checkbox"/>	Military	<input type="checkbox"/>	Transportation	<input type="checkbox"/>
Communication	<input type="checkbox"/>	Political	<input type="checkbox"/>		
Community development	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>				

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

This Swiss Cottage was built between 1847 and 1851 on the land of the Clarke family. A Josiah Hunt was apparently the first occupant of the house, which was sold at auction in 1851 to Caleb Wright, for \$2,000. In 1852 Wright sold the "tasteful residence" to C. K. Hawks and Hawks in turn sold the house to Thomas Meekins in 1857. The cottage then remained in the Meekins family through the 20th century.

The cottage, smaller and more economical than the Swiss Cottage built in the same period on Pomeroy Terrace, was designed by Wm. F. Pratt. The deep overhang of the roof heightens the play of light and shade on the facade. Intricate brackets support the roof and porches, and wide boarding with flat carved decoration defines the stories in the facade.

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

Registry of Deeds, 138.208.
Daily Hampshire Gazette, 3/25/1851, 9/14/1852,
4/8/1856, 7/14/1857, 12/26/1865.