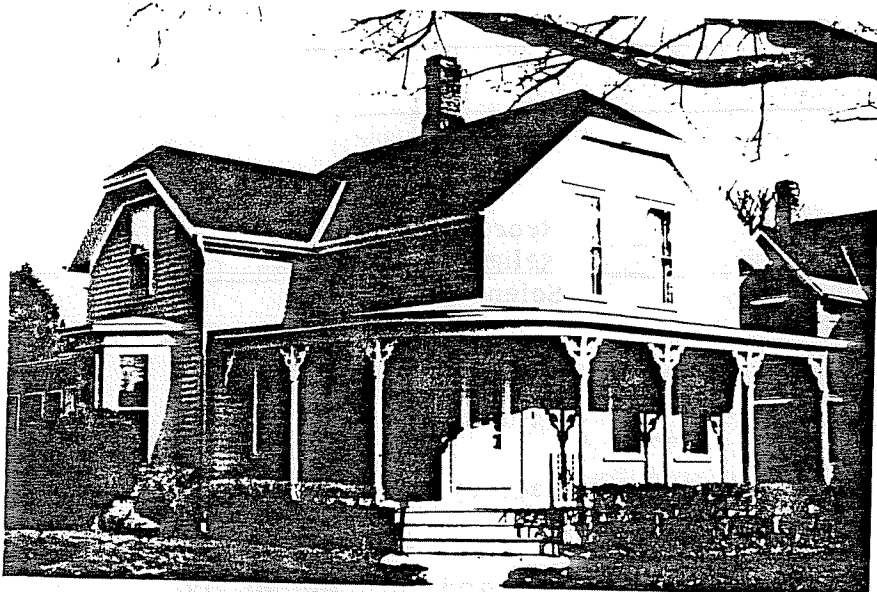


FORM B - BUILDING

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

In Area no.	Form no.
	17C-107

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1 Northampton

Address 81 High Street

City Northampton

Present use residence

Present owner Robert & Deborah Landback

Description:

Year 1884-95

Source Atlases

Architect

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

Exterior wall fabric clapboard

Outbuildings (describe)

Other features 1 story wraparound porch with decorative brackets, hipped gable roof with side bay

Altered --- Date ---

Moved --- Date ---



5. Lot size:

One acre or less --- Over one acre ---

Approximate frontage ---

Approximate distance of building from street ---

6. Recorded by E. Lonergan

Organization NHC

Date February 1980

(over)

Original owner (if known) _____

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	_____				

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

This house first appeared on the 1895 atlas and was owned by Fred Crossman, co-owner of Crossman and Polamtier, plumbers and stove and hardware dealers in Florence.

The house is a one-and-a-half story cottage with gable end to the street and a one-and-a-half story gabled projection on the west side. Both of the gables are hipped and there is a one-story bay window projecting from the side. A one-story porch extends across the facade and along the western side to the projection. The porch has a projection cornice, chamfered posts and decorative brackets. The front entrance is placed at the western corner of the facade, underneath the curve of the porch.

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

1884 & 1895 Atlases
Northampton Directory: 1894-95