

FORM B - BUILDING

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

In Area no.	Form no.
	32C-172-175



Northampton

Address 256 Pleasant Street

Northampton Lumber Co.

Present use Commercial/Industrial

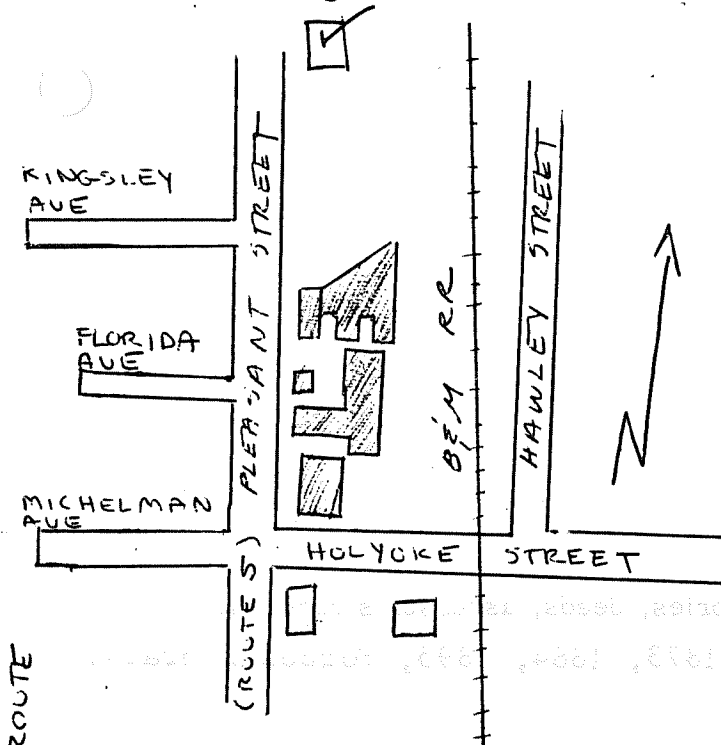
Present owner Robert B. Harvey

Description: 1850-1880

Source visual evidence

Style Greek Revival  
Victorian Industrial

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



Architect unknown

Exterior wall fabric brick

Outbuildings (describe) none

Other features 2 & 3 stories; stone lintels; ridge and flat roof; end chimneys

Altered yes Date various

Moved no Date \_\_\_\_\_

5. Lot size:

Less than one acre x Over one acre \_\_\_\_\_

Approximate frontage 150 feet

Approximate distance of building from street 5 feet

6. Recorded by C. Dubie

Organization Northampton Historical Commission

Date March 15, 1976

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USGS Quadrant \_\_\_\_\_

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7. Original owner (if known) various, not researched

Original use factory buildings

Subsequent uses (if any) and dates factory buildings/storage

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

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

These brick factory structures date from the period of industrial prominence of Northampton and surrounding towns. Several similar groupings of industrial buildings are located in the area bounded by Pearl, Pleasant, and Holyoke Streets and the B & M Railroad bed. The structures are characteristically simple rectilinear forms, several stories high but predominantly horizontal in emphasis. Chimneys are large and prominent.

A series of industrial concerns located on the site in the nineteenth century, including the W. H. Clapp Iron Foundry, and the Harlow Planing Mill.

10. Bibliography and/or references (such as local histories, deeds, assessor's records, early maps, etc.) Atlases of Northampton, 1873, 1884, 1895, Forbes Library.