

FORM B - BUILDING

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

In Area no.	Form no.
	32C-232

1. Town Northampton

Address 15 Hancock St.

Present use residence

Present owner Peter and Sophie

Description: Gonzalez

1886-95

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 _____ Over one acre _____

Approximate frontage _____

Approximate distance of building from street _____

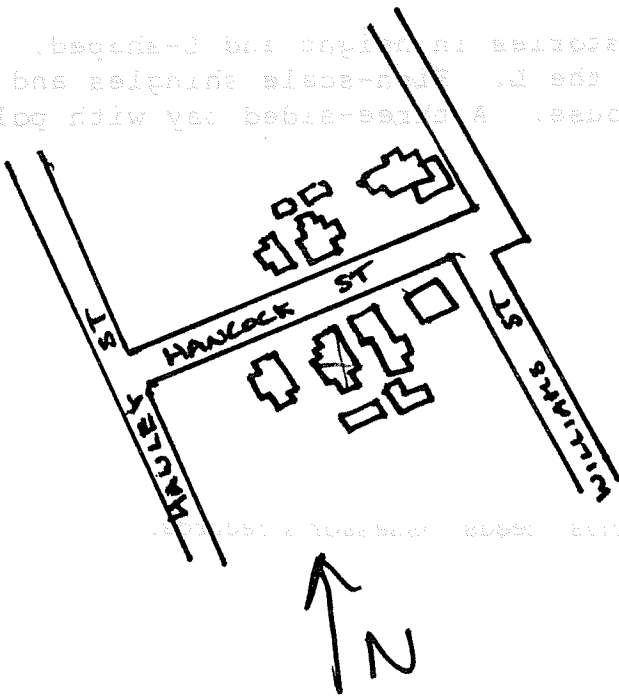
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in relation to nearest cross streets and other buildings. Indicate north.



(over)

7. Original owner (if known) _____

Original use _____ residence _____

Subsequent uses (if any) and dates _____

8. Themes (check as many as applicable)

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| 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)

Hancock St. was opened in 1873 across Ebenezer Hancock's Hawley St. homestead, but lots were only available on the northern side of the street. In 1886 lots were made on the southern side of the street through subdividing Harrison Apthorp's Hawley St. homestead. By 1895 the four houses that line the southern side of the street today had been built. Nos. 11 and 15 are interesting variations on a single pattern. In 1895 this house was owned and occupied by Peter Sobtky, a Main St. clothier.

The house is two and a half stories in height and L-shaped, with a one-story porch in the crook of the L. Fish-scale shingles and wide boards are used to ornament the house. A three-sided bay with polygonal roof extends from the facade.

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

- 1884 and 1895 Atlases
- Registry of Deeds: Bk. 404-P. 131.
- Northampton Directory: 1895-96.