

FORM B - BUILDING

MASSACHUSETTS HISTORICAL COMMISSION
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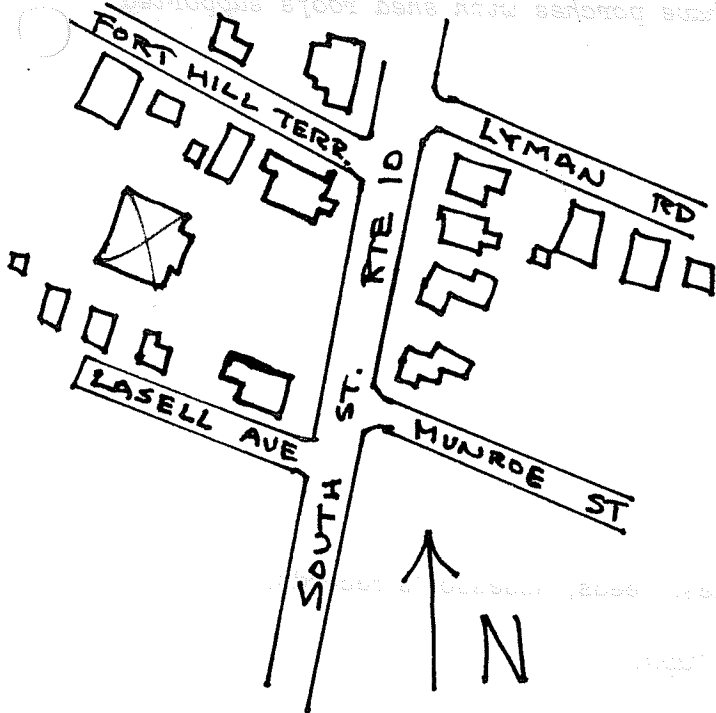
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1. Northampton
 Address 141 South St.
 Name South Street School
 Present use school
 Present owner City of Northampton
 Description: 1888-90
 Source Reg. of Deeds
 Architect _____

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



Exterior wall fabric brick
 Outbuildings (describe) _____
 Other features _____

Altered _____ Date _____
 Moved -- Date _____

5. Lot size:
 One acre or less x Over one acre _____
 Approximate frontage _____
 Approximate distance of building from street _____

6. Recorded by E. Lonergan
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(over)

Original owner (if known) City of Northampton

Original use school

Subsequent uses (if any) and dates _____

8. Themes (check as many as applicable)

Aboriginal	_____	Conservation	_____	Recreation	_____
Agricultural	_____	Education	<u>x</u>	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)

This large brick school replaced two smaller schools that were located on South St. at the corner of School St.

The school exhibits the skill and techniques of the late 19th century mason. Brownstone is used for a water table, and large lintel for the third-floor windows in the front gable. String courses connecting the lintels of the windows on the first and second floor use red and yellow brick, while the string courses connecting the window sills are projecting double rows of red brick. There are two entrances, one on either side of the central gabled pavilion. These have porches with shed roofs supported by turned columns and arched openings.

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

- 1831 Town Map.*
- 1854 and 1860 County Maps.*
- 1873, 1884 and 1895 Atlases.*
- Registry of Deeds: Bk. 420-P. 489.*