

FORM B - BUILDING

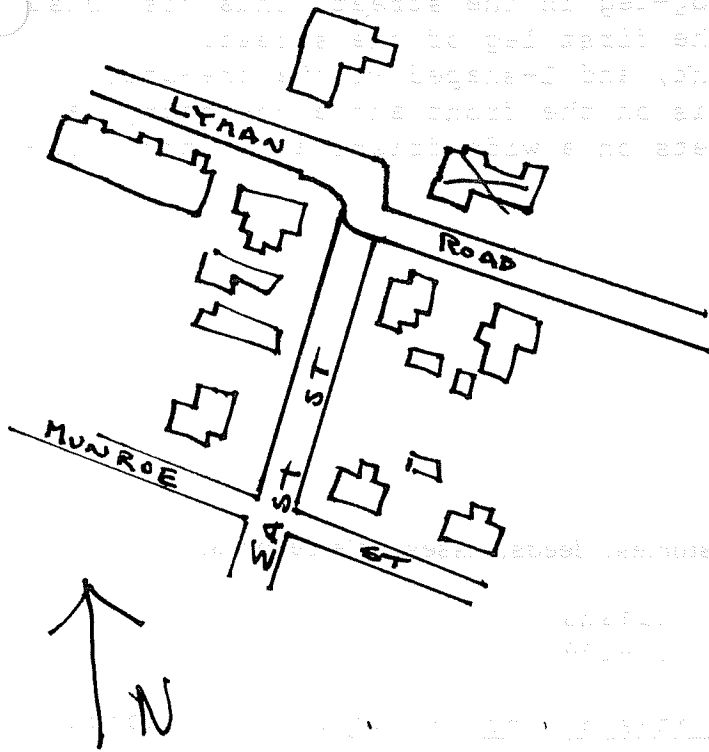
MASSACHUSETTS HISTORICAL COMMISSION
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4. Map. Draw sketch of building in relation to nearest cross streets and other buildings. Indicate north.



Northampton

Address 36 Lyman Road

Name A. Starkweather House

Present use residence

Present owner Elizabeth O'Connor

Description: ca 1870

Source Reg. of Deeds & Atlas

Bracketed

Architect

Exterior wall fabric clapboard

Outbuildings (describe)

Other features L-shaped with one-story front porch, 2-story bay on front & 1-story bay on side, double brackets on frieze.

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)

7. Original owner (if known) Alfred Starkweather

Original use residence

Subsequent uses (if any) and dates _____

8. Themes (check as many as applicable)

Aboriginal	_____	Conservation	_____	Recreation	_____
Agricultural	_____	Education	_____	Religion	_____
Architectural	_____	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)

The Starkweather family first settled on South St. in 1787. Charles Starkweather owned and operated a sawmill and grist mill on Clark Ave., and was chosen a selectman in 1803. His son, Haynes K., a farmer, continued on the homestead until his death in 1866. At that time Haynes's two sons, Charles G. and Alfred, decided to subdivide the homestead, which stretched easterly from South St. over the brow of the old Mill River terrace into the meadows. High St. (now known as Lyman Rd.) was laid out from South St. easterly to the brow of the terrace. Alfred Starkweather chose a lot on the north side, at a dog-leg in the street, thus his house is prominently sited at the foot of the first leg of the street.

The house is two-stories in height, and L-shaped with a one-story porch within the L. A two-story bay is on the front and a one-story bay projects from the side. Double brackets on a wide frieze and window cornices provide interesting detail.

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

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