

# FORM B - Building

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220 Morrissey Boulevard  
Boston, Massachusetts 02125

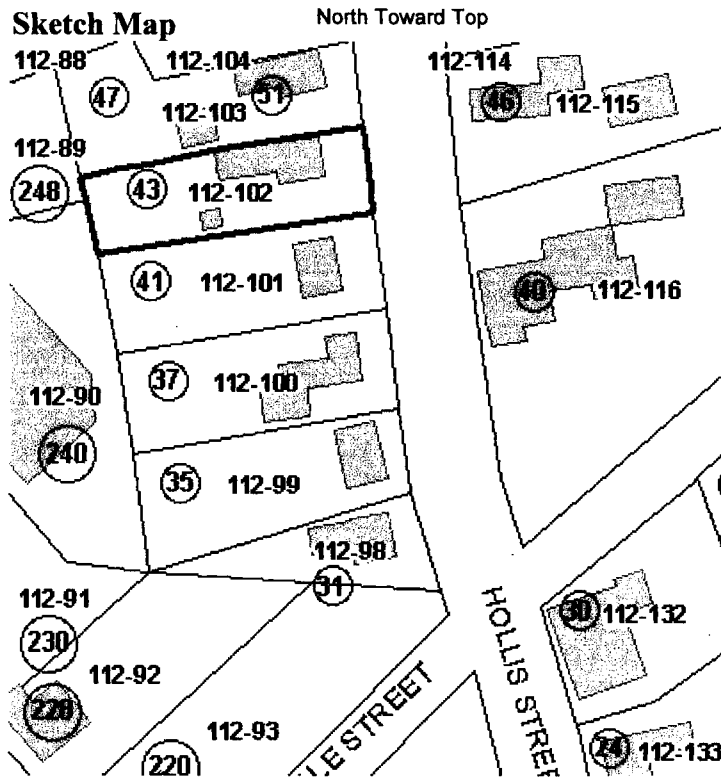
Map and Lot # 112 102 USGS Quad Area(s) Y Form Number 337

Town Groton  
Place (neighborhood or village) Groton Center

## Photograph

(3"x3" or 3-1/2"x5" black and white only) Label photo on back with town and property address. Record film roll and negative numbers here on form. Staple photo to left side of form over this space. Attach additional photos to continuation sheets.

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Recorded by Sanford Johnson  
Organization Groton Historical Commission  
Date (month/year) 12/07

Address 43 Hollis Street  
Historic Name Lyman Blood House  
Uses: Present Residential  
Original Residential

Date of Construction c. 1855  
Source Estimate; 1856 Walling map  
Style/Form Victorian Eclectic

Architect/Builder  
Exterior Material:  
Foundation Split granite  
Wall/Trim Wood clapboard  
Roof Asphalt shingle  
Outbuildings/secondary structure Detached shed

Major Alterations (with dates)

Condition Good  
Moved no  yes  Date  
Acreage .227  
Setting Town center

Follow Massachusetts Historical Commission Survey Manual instructions for completing this form.

## BUILDING FORM

### ARCHITECTURAL DESCRIPTION

see continuation sheet

*Describe architectural features. Evaluate the characteristics of this building in terms of other buildings within the community.*

- \* The house at 43 Hollis Street is a 3x3-bay, 2 1/2-story, cross-gabled form with Victorian Eclectic style ornament including the gable returns, slim corner pilasters and molded cornice
- \* Secondary masses include the south side bay window that is bowed outward along its southern elevation and the pedimented side-hall entry hood
- \* Windows are 6/6 double-hung units with slim hoods above; first floor examples are extended in length compared to those located elsewhere
- \* The side-hall entry has plain trim and a double-leaf door
- \* A small detached shed occupies the west end of the driveway
- \* The house is well-maintained and has a small parcel in a denser section of the town center

### HISTORICAL NARRATIVE

see continuation sheets

*Discuss the history of the building. Explain its associations with local (or state) history. Include uses of the building, and the role(s) the owners /occupants played within the community.*

The house at 43 Hollis Street appears from its design to have been built c. 1855 which suggests the initial owner may have been Lyman Blood, a joiner born c. 1818 and married to Matilda. The Bloods remained here until at least 1875 according to the county atlas from that year. The 1889 atlas depicts W. Fuller at this site. The house had been expanded by 1921 to include a rear ell or shed that is no longer in evidence. Frank M. Blood was the 1930 owner. Mr. Blood was married to Azalia and worked as a plumber.

### BIBLIOGRAPHY and/or REFERENCES

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1856 Walling map of Middlesex County; 1875 Beers atlas; 1889 Walker atlas; 1832 and 1847 Butler maps; Butler's 1829 field notes; Federal census agricultural schedules, 1850-1880; Previous GHC Research; 1921 Sanborn Fire Insurance map; Resident Directories, 1888, 1918, 1929; Dr. Green, Vol. ii, p. 288; 1930 Somes map; 1855, 1865 state census;

**\*\* All properties mentioned in bold type are individually inventoried resources**

- Recommended for listing in the National Register of Historic Places. If checked, you must attach a completed National Register Criteria Statement Form.
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**INVENTORY FORM CONTINUATION SHEET**

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