FORM B - Building

Massachusetts Historical Commission Massachusetts Archives Building 220 Morrissey Boulevard Boston, Massachusetts 02125

Photograph

(3"x3" or 3-1/2x5" 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.

Roll Negative(s)



Date (month/year) 12/08

Map and Lot #

West Groton

Historic Name

Uses: Present

Original

Date of Construction

Address

Source

Groton3

Place (neighborhood or village)

102 25

Town

USGS Quad

39 Pepperell Road

1889 Walker atlas

Residential

Residential

c. 1890

Area(s)

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Form Number

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

BUILDING FORM

ARCHITECTURAL DESCRIPTION

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

* The house at 39 Pepperell Road is a Victorian Eclectic style, front gabled design of 2 1/2 stories and 3x3 bays; a 1-story rear ell attaches the house to the barn; the first story of the façade is covered by a full width porch with a flat roof; a gable roofed 3-sided bay window expands the plan at the south side elevation

* Decorative features include the patterned wood shingles in the façade and south bay gable peaks, the steeply pitched gable dormers on the roof of the rear wall, suggesting a Gothic Revival influence, corner pilasters and molded cornice

* Windows are typically 2/1 double-hung sash with hoods; additional types include the oculus in the south gable peak and the diamond shaped fixed sash in the south side elevation

* The attached barn is a front gable form with vehicle door and three double hung windows in the façade; decorative elements include the corner boards, molded cornice and decorative bracing in the rolling vehicle door

* The house and barn are well-maintained and resemble other Victorian examples in the neighborhood in terms of scale, design quality and materials; it is particularly similar to the house and barn at 17 Pepperell Road

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 appears to have been built after publication of the 1889 Walker atlas of Middlesex County. Noble A. Nutt (born in Vermont c. 1878) appears to have owned the house on the 1930 map and also owned a garage next door, although this may have been demolished. He also worked as the rail station agent according to the 1929 resident directory.

BIBLIOGRAPHY and/or REFERENCES

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1930 Somes map; 1929 resident directory

** 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.

INVENTORY FORM CONTINUATION SHEET

Town Groton

Property Address

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Photos Taken 3-6/08

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