

FORM B - BUILDING

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

In Area no.	Form no.
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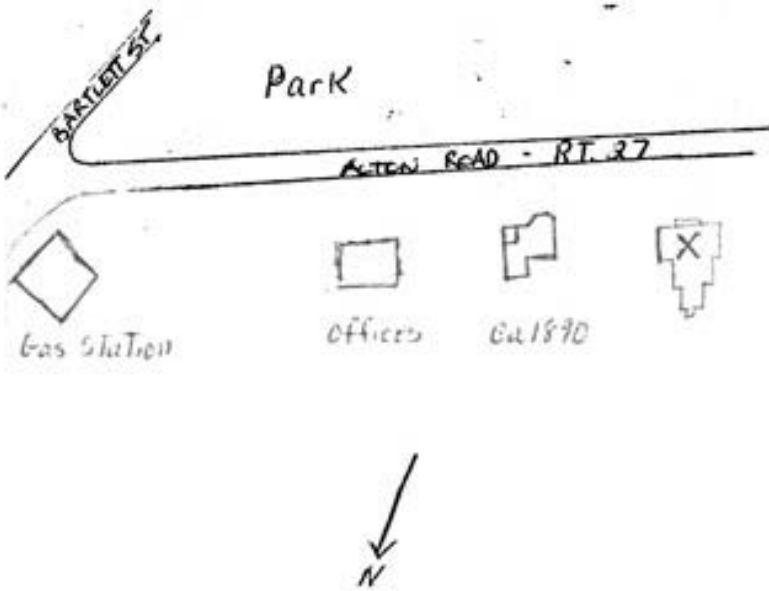
1. Town CHELSEA
 Address 23-25 ACTON ROAD
 Name _____
 Present use RESIDENCE (RENTAL)

 Present owner BARBARA B. JONES

3. Description:

Date 1890
 Source LOWELL WEEKLY JOURNAL (Oct. 24, 1890)
 Style _____
 Contractor A.W. HOLT
 Architect _____
 Exterior wall fabric CLAPBOARDS
 Outbuildings (describe) _____
 Other features _____

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



Altered SEE NOTALMED Date _____
 Moved _____ Date _____

5. Lot size: 40,000 sq ft
~~One acre~~ or less Over one acre
 Approximate frontage 90'
 Approximate distance of building from street
ca 1.5 FT.

6. Recorded by STEPHEN R. STOWELL
 Organization CHELSEA HISTORICAL COMMISSION
 Date Nov. 29, 1983

DO NOT WRITE IN THIS SPACE
 USGS Quadrant _____
 MHC Photo no. _____

(over)

7. Original owner (if known) JASPER ELLIOTT

Original use TRAVELERS

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	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>			

9. Historical significance (include explanation of themes checked above)

BUILT ~~IN~~ ^{IN} PERIOD OF SUBURBAN GROWTH FOR CHELMSFORD DUE TO INFLOX OF PEOPLE FROM LOWELL. BUILT ADJACENT TO CHELMSFORD CENTER AS A TRAVELERS TO ACCOMMODATE SOME OF THESE PEOPLE.

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

- LOWELL WEEKLY JOURNAL - OCT. 24, 1890
- MIDDLESEX NORTH DISTRICT REGISTRY OF DEEDS: BK. 415, P. 226 (2/24/1902)
- PLAN OF ACTON ROAD, CHELMSFORD AS ORDERED BY COUNTY COMMISSIONERS 1912 (PLAN BOOK M, PLAN 77)

INVENTORY FORM CONTINUATION SHEET

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Community:

CHELMSFORD

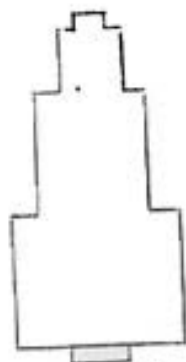
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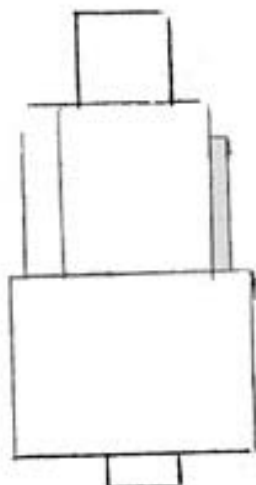
Property Name:

Indicate each item on inventory form which is being continued below.

3-ALTERED



1912 ACTON RD. PLAN
(SCALE 40 FT = 1 INCH)



1971 BUILDING RECORD
(1" = 30')

Staple to Inventory form at bottom

23 - 25 Acton Road
Middlesex North District Registry of Deeds

Bk. 1435, pg. 440	4/ 2/1959	Katherine C. Bartlett, Philadelphia, Penn.; & Anna B. Bartlett, New Dorp, Staten Island, N.Y. to Barbara B. Jones 23-25 Acton Rd. subject: easements & restrictions of record
Bk. 1010, pg. 137	8/14/1944	Clemantine A. Bartlett, widow, Philadelphia, to Katherine C. Bartlett, Philadelphia, Penn., & Anna B. Bartlett, Staten Island, N.Y. 1 acre & buildings thereon subject: April 2, 1862 rights
Bk. 885, pg. 494	3/24/1921	Thomas H. Varnum, Dracut, to Ernest C. & Clemantine A. Bartlett 1 acre & buildings thereon subject: 1. April 2, 1862 rights 2. \$3000 mortgage
Bk. 641, pg. 432	3/24/1921	Carrie J. Elliott, unmarried, to Thomas H. Varnum, Dracut 1 acre & buildings thereon subject: April 2, 1862 rights
Bk. 415, pg. 226	2/25/1908	Jasper Elliott to Carrie J. Elliott 1 acre & buildings thereon subject: April 2, 1862 rights
Bk. 217, pg. 343	8/ 2/1890	Emily M. Cotton to Jasper Elliott 1 acre land subject: April 2, 1862 rights

Lowell Weekly Journal:

Aug. 15, 1890 - Mr. Jasper Elliott has bought of W.B. Cotton a fine building lot on Acton street, about 3 minutes walk from the station and postoffice, and will build a good 2-tenement building.

Oct. 24, 1890 - A.W. Holt has begun work upon Jasper Elliott's double tenement on Acton street. Mr. Holt has the contract to build Mr. Fenderson's house on South street, but the latter will not be completed until next summer.

April 17, 1891 - The new and pleasantly located double tenement of Jasper Elliott on the Acton street has been let to Arthur B. Chapin and John H. Nichols. George Wright, the new blacksmith, has hired a tenement of L.A. Young on the same street.

April 2, 1897 - A.B. Chapin and family are moving this week from Acton street to their new home on Bridge street, purchased of J. Wozencroft.

Dec. 16, 1898 - John H. Nichols, a well known resident of Chelmsford, died suddenly Friday at 11:20 a.m. of apoplexy. One of the pupils, a boy, saw him fall and at once notified Principal Averell, who hastened to him. About the same time his son Fred arrived from Lowell on a call, but his father was unconscious and died in a few minutes. Mr. Nichols was about 70 years of age; he was a veteran of the civil war, and a member of Post 185, G.A.R. His native place, it is believed, was Wilmington. He was a brother of the late Wm. Nichols of this city, and for many years lived in Lowell.....He was twice married, but his wife died several years ago. He leaves but one child, the son above mentioned.....Prayers were said at the home on Acton street.....He was wounded at the second battle of Bull Run which disqualified him for further service in this line.....

April 14, 1899 - Z. Feindel moves this week into one of the tenements in the Elliott house in Acton street.

Lowell Daily Courier:

Dec. 30, 1910 - The death of Jasper Elliott, an old and highly respected resident of this town, occurred at 4:30 this afternoon at his home in Worthen street.

Mr. Elliott was born at Thornton, N.H. April 2nd, 1826. As a young man he came to Lowell and learned the trade of machinist which he followed for many years. He removed to Chelmsford in 1875.

Quiet and unassuming in manner, upright and honest in his dealings with men, Mr. Elliott belonged to the generation which has so nearly passed away. In his youth Mr. Elliott united with the Baptist church and his consistent, devoted life testified to the faith that was in him. A wife and one daughter, Miss Carrie J. Elliott, survive him.

