

FORM B - BUILDING

In Area no.	Form no.
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MASSACHUSETTS HISTORICAL COMMISSION
Office of the Secretary, State House, Boston



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1. Town Chelmsford
 Address 127 North Road
 Name Whittemore House
 Present use residence
 Present owner Oscar Chakarian

3. Description:

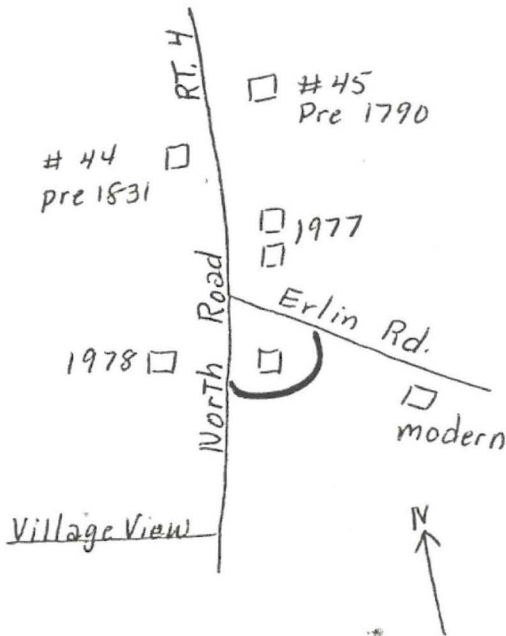
Date 1890
 Source Lowell Weekly Journal
 Style _____
 Architect _____
 Exterior wall fabric butted lapboard
 Outbuildings (describe) none
 Other features Victorian bric-a-brac;
decorative clapboards under gable

Altered see attached Date _____
 Moved no Date _____

5. Lot size:
 23,700 sq. ft.
 One acre or less x Over one acre
 Approximate frontage 142 feet
 Approximate distance of building from street
ca 40 feet

6. Recorded by Jane B. Drury
 Organization Chelmsford Hist. Commission
 Date March 8, 1979

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



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

(over)

7. Original owner (if known) Floyer J. Whittemore

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	<u> x </u>	Social/ humanitarian	_____
Commerce	_____	Military	_____	Transportation	_____
Communication	_____	Political	_____		
Community development	<u> x </u>				

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

In Jan. 1890 the newly erected carriage manufactory of F.J. Whittemore (was located left rear of the house location) opened for business. The building was 2 stories high with a basement under the whole. The 1st floor was occupied by Mr. Whittemore for carriage iron work, horse shoeing, etc., and Edward Osborn, wheelwright, was in charge of the wood work. The whole of the 2nd story was leased to F.W. Wright, carriage painter. Thus all the details in the construction of a carriage were carried out under 1 roof. General repairing and jobbing was also done.

In July 1890 work was begun upon the new house and attached barn/stable. One floor of the 3-story stable was used as a store-room for carriages from the factory.

In 1933 Mr. Whittemore sold the property to his son F. Earl Whittemore, who sold it out of family ownership in 1946.

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

Lowell Weekly Journal: 12/27/1889; 1/24/1890; 7/25/1890; 10/17/1890
Chelmsford Assessors' & Revaluation Records
Middlesex No. Dist. Reg. Deeds:
Plan Bk. M, Plan 216(1934), Plan 119(1920)
Bk. 211, pg. 172 (Marshall to Whittemore, 11/14/1889)
Chelmsford Directory: 1898/99, 1922

INVENTORY FORM CONTINUATION SHEET

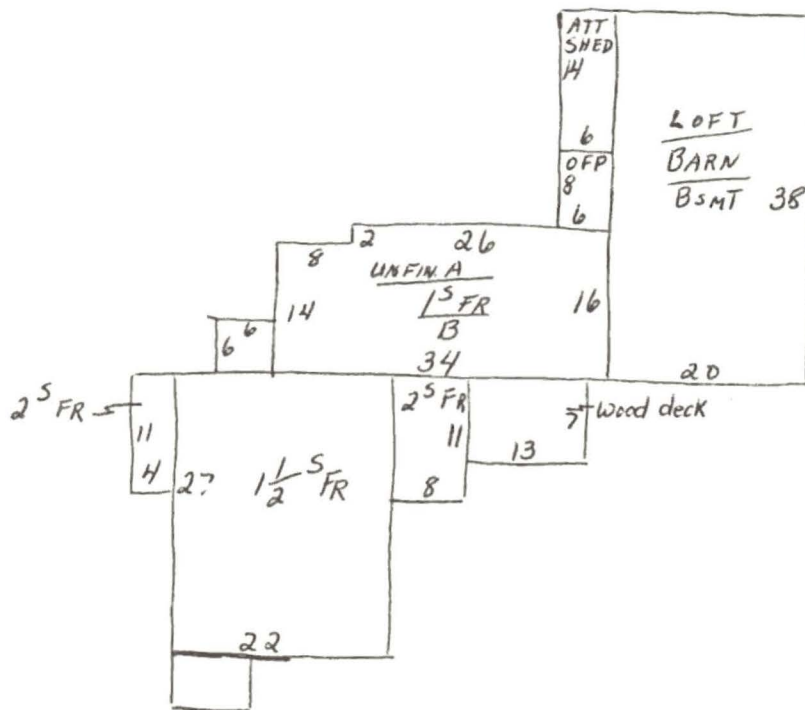
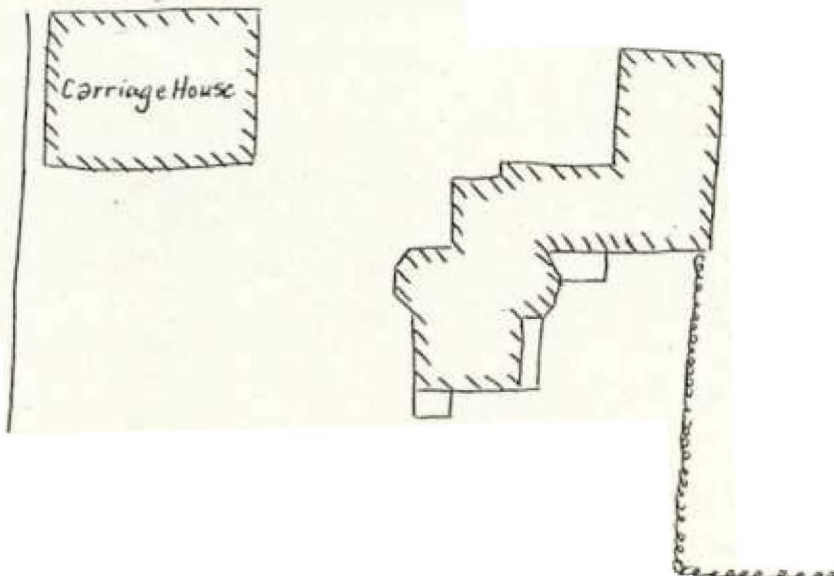
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Community: Chelmsford	Form No: 256
Property Name: Whittemore House	

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

Plan Book M
Plan 119 (1920)
Plan 216 (1934)

Scale: 1" = 40'



Staple to Inventory form at bottom

127 North Road

Book 1483, pg. 287	7/28/1960	Edith Craig to Oscar & Nancy J. Chakarian, Lowell $\frac{1}{2}$ acre & buildings
Book 1288, pg. 321	3/29/1955	Doris Stevens, Lowell, to Edith Craig $\frac{1}{2}$ acre & buildings
Book 1288, pg. 320	3/29/1955	Thomas E. & Edith Craig to Doris Stevens, Lowell $\frac{1}{2}$ acre & buildings
Book 1227, pg. 400	6/30/1953	Rose Mary Lisio, unmarried, to Thomas E. & Edith Craig, Lowell land & buildings
Book 1159, pg. 121	12/20/1950	Frederick R. & Gladys A. Greenwood to Rose Mary Lasio, Billerica land & buildings
Book 1078, pg. 254	10/ 1/1947	Arnold V. & Joan M. Parlee to Frederick R. & Gladys A. Greenwood land & buildings
Book 1051, pg. 85	8/27/1946	Edwin R. & Mabel G. Erikson to Arnold V. & Joan M. Parlee less than \$100 land & buildings reserving - right to occupy premises until 11/1/1946
Book 1051, pg. 390	8/21/1946	F. Earl Whittemore, unmarried, Philadelphia, Pa. to Edwin R. & Mabel G. Erikson land & buildings
Book 824, pg. 126	4/15/1933	Floyer J. Whittemore to F. Earl Whittemore 1. land in Lowell 2. $\frac{1}{2}$ acre - Marshall land 3. 1288 sq. ft. - Upham land
Book 211, pg. 172	11/14/1889	Francis A. Marshall to Clara M. Whittemore \$200 $\frac{1}{2}$ acre land

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Lowell Weekly Journal

Nov. 22, 1889 - Floyer J. Whittemore has recently bought of Francis A. Marshall a half acre of land on the North Chelmsford road near the Upham estate and will soon put up a house and other buildings.

Dec. 27, 1889 - The carriage manufactory of F.J. Whittemore on the North Chelmsford road will be ready for occupancy about the 10th of January. The building is 2 stories high with a basement under the whole. The first floor will be occupied by Mr. Whittemore for carriage iron work, horse shoeing, etc., and by Mr. Edward Osborn, wheelwright, who will have charge of the woodwork. The whole of the second story has been leased by Mr. F.W. Wright, carriage painter. Thus all the details in the construction of a carriage will be carried out under one roof. In addition to manufacturing, these parties, who are mechanics of skill and experience, will do a general repairing and jobbing business. We wish them success.

Jan. 24, 1890 - The new carriage manufactory of F.J. Whittemore on North street is now fairly under way and in due time the carriages will be. Remember that a general jobbing business also is carried on here.

July 25, 1890 - F.J. Whittemore has begun work upon his new house and barn near the carriage manufactory on North street. One floor of the three-story stable will be used as a store-room for carriages from the factory.

Oct. 17, 1890 - Mr. F.J. Whittemore has his new house on North street well under way, and has begun work on a large stable, a part of which will be used for a carriage storehouse.

Lowell Daily Courier

Sat., Dec. 22, 1900 - Thursday afternoon Irving Blaisdell while sawing wood with a portable circular saw on the premises of F.J. Whittemore in North street, fell against the saw in consequence of the falling of a pile of wood and his side was severely gashed, some of the muscles being cut. The saw did not penetrate to a fatal depth but very near it. Had the teeth struck a trifle higher an arm would have been severed. Mr. Blaisdell was carried by Mr. Whittemore to his physician's, where the cut was sewed up and he was taken to his home.





