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FORM B - BUILDING

AREA FORM NO.

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MASSACHUSETTS HISTORICAL COMMISSION
80 BOYLSTON STREET
BOSTON, MA 02116

Winchester, MA MRA

Town WINCHESTER

Address 8 Stevens Street

Historic Name S.B. White House

Use: Present dwelling

Original dwelling

DESCRIPTION

Date c1850 (before 1854)

Source historic maps; style

Style Gothic Revival

Architect unknown

Exterior Wall Fabric clapboard

Outbuildings none

Major Alterations (with dates) porch

added late 19th century

Condition excellent

Moved no Date n/a

Acreege .09A/ 4,082 sq. ft. 04-0226

Setting tightly developed residential

neighborhood directly east of

downtown commercial center

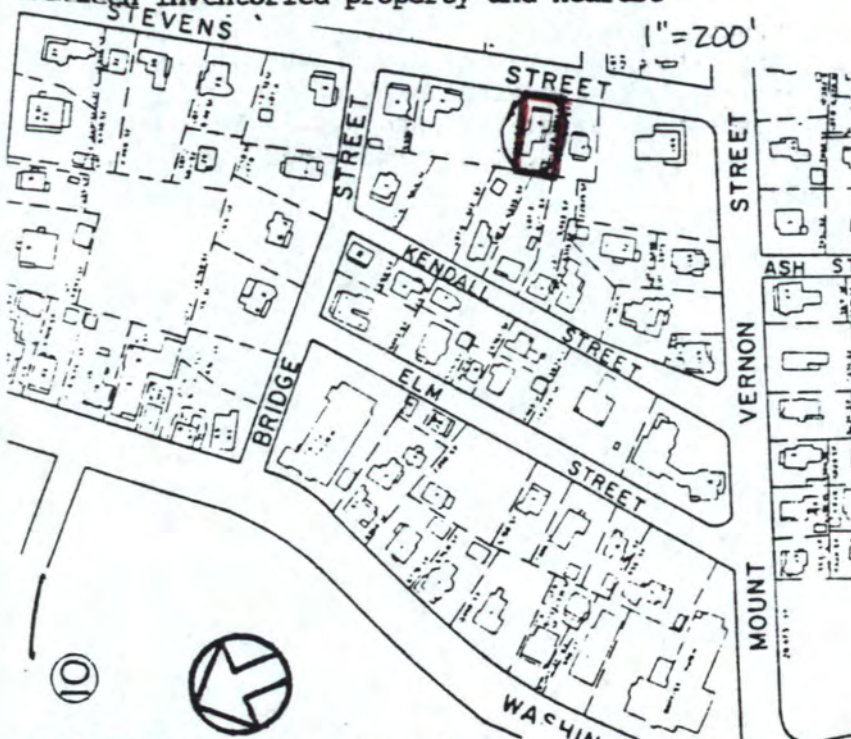
Recorded by Marcia Wood, Carol Ely

Organization Winchester Historical Com.

Date 12/78; 10/87 revised by C. Jenkins

Photo (3"x3" or 3"x5", black and white) Indicate address of property on back of photo. Staple to left side of form.

Sketch Map: Draw map showing property's location in relation to nearest cross streets and/or geographical features. Indicate all buildings between inventoried property and nearest



UTM REFERENCE 19.324770, 4702100

USGS QUADRANGLE LEXINGTON, MASS.

SCALE 1:25,000

NATIONAL REGISTER CRITERIA STATEMENT (if applicable)

The S.B. White House possesses integrity of location, design, setting, materials, workmanship, feeling and association. It is significant as an exceptionally well designed and preserved example of the Gothic Revival style featuring icicle-like vergeboards on steeply pitched gable roofs and label moldings over its windows. As one of the most advanced representations of the Gothic Revival style in a town noted for its numerous examples of this generally rare style (see forms #215, 230, 232, 171, 276, 429, 443), it meets criterion C of the National Register of Historic Places.

ARCHITECTURAL SIGNIFICANCE Describe important architectural features and evaluate in terms of other buildings within the community.

The White House is a 1½ story wood-frame dwelling enclosed by a steeply pitched gable roof with central cross gable. It is clad with clapboards and trimmed with icicle-like vergeboards and pronounced label moldings over the windows. Although its prominent central cross gable would ordinarily indicate a symmetrical facade treatment, the three bay facade actually displays a sidehall configuration with the entry located in the northern bay. The entry is framed by sidelights and fronted by a gabled porch that appears to have been added in the late 19th century.

HISTORICAL SIGNIFICANCE Explain the role owners played in local or state history and how the building relates to the development of the community.

This small Gothic Revival style cottage was constructed c1850 by Samuel B. White, Jr. who retained ownership until c1875 when he built a larger house at the corner of Stevens and Mt. Vernon Streets. White was one of the founders of the Congregational Church (Winchester Center H.D.; NR: 1987) and the first treasurer of the town after its incorporation in 1850. Later owners include: Silas D. Andrews (1876-1888), Professor G. Cook (1889-1892), Mary L. Miller (1893-1909) and Albert P. Reed (1910-1945).

BIBLIOGRAPHY and/or REFERENCES

Chapman, Henry Smith. History of Winchester, Mass. 1936.

Winchester Archival Center resources: historic maps, town directories.

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United States Department of the Interior
National Park Service

National Register of Historic Places Continuation Sheet

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Multiple Resource Area
Thematic Group

Name Winchester MRA
State Middlesex County, MASSACHUSETTS

Nomination/Type of Review	Date/Signature
51. Symmes, Deacon John, House <i>Entered in the National Register</i>	Keeper <u>Melrose Byers 7/5/89</u> Attest _____
52. Symmes, Marshall, House <i>Entered in the National Register</i>	Keeper <u>Melrose Byers 7/5/89</u> Attest _____
53. Symmes, Marshall, Tenant House <i>Entered in the National Register</i>	Keeper <u>Melrose Byers 7/5/89</u> Attest _____
54. Thompson, Abijah, House <i>Entered in the National Register</i>	Keeper <u>Melrose Byers 7/5/89</u> Attest _____
55. Trowbridge--Badger House <i>Entered in the National Register</i>	Keeper <u>Melrose Byers 7/5/89</u> Attest _____
56. Vinton, Alfred, House <i>Entered in the National Register</i>	Keeper <u>Melrose Byers 7/5/89</u> Attest _____
57. Wedgemere (H.D.) <i>Entered in the National Register</i>	Keeper <u>Melrose Byers 7/5/89</u> Attest _____
58. White, S.B., House <i>Entered in the National Register</i>	Keeper <u>Melrose Byers 7/5/89</u> Attest _____
59. Wildwood Cemetery <i>Substantive Review</i>	Keeper <u>Boyd Savage 7-5-89</u> Attest _____
60. Wyman, George, House <i>Entered in the National Register</i>	Keeper <u>Melrose Byers 7/5/89</u> Attest _____

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
NATIONAL PARK SERVICE

NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES
EVALUATION/RETURN SHEET

REQUESTED ACTION: NOMINATION

PROPERTY White, S. B., House
NAME:

MULTIPLE Winchester MRA
NAME:

STATE & COUNTY: MASSACHUSETTS, Middlesex

DATE RECEIVED: 5/22/89 DATE OF PENDING LIST: 6/06/89
DATE OF 16TH DAY: 6/22/89 DATE OF 45TH DAY: 7/06/89
DATE OF WEEKLY LIST:

REFERENCE NUMBER: 89000622

NOMINATOR: STATE

REASONS FOR REVIEW:

APPEAL: N DATA PROBLEM: N LANDSCAPE: N LESS THAN 50 YEARS: N
OTHER: N PDIL: N PERIOD: N PROGRAM UNAPPROVED: N
REQUEST: N SAMPLE: N SLR DRAFT: N NATIONAL: N

COMMENT WAIVER: N

ACCEPT RETURN REJECT 7/5/89 DATE

Handwritten signature and date

ABSTRACT/SUMMARY COMMENTS:

RECOM./CRITERIA _____
REVIEWER _____
DISCIPLINE _____
DATE _____

DOCUMENTATION see attached comments Y/N see attached SLR Y/N

CLASSIFICATION

___ count ___ resource type

STATE/FEDERAL AGENCY CERTIFICATION

FUNCTION

___ historic ___ current

DESCRIPTION

___ architectural classification
___ materials
___ descriptive text

SIGNIFICANCE

Period Areas of Significance--Check and justify below

Specific dates Builder/Architect
Statement of Significance (in one paragraph)

___ summary paragraph
___ completeness
___ clarity
___ applicable criteria
___ justification of areas checked
___ relating significance to the resource
___ context
___ relationship of integrity to significance
___ justification of exception
___ other

BIBLIOGRAPHY

GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

___ acreage ___ verbal boundary description
___ UTMS ___ boundary justification

ACCOMPANYING DOCUMENTATION/PRESENTATION

___ sketch maps ___ USGS maps ___ photographs ___ presentation

OTHER COMMENTS

Questions concerning this nomination may be directed to

_____ Phone _____

Signed _____ Date _____



^{S.B.}
White, House

1/88

8 Stevens Street
Winchester MA MA

MHC Inv. # 172

Please refer to the map in the
Multiple Property Cover Sheet
for this property

Multiple Property Cover Sheet Reference Number: 64000303