

United States Department of the Interior
National Park Service

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National Register of Historic Places
Inventory—Nomination Form

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See instructions in *How to Complete National Register Forms*
Type all entries—complete applicable sections

1. Name

historic Cold Spring Farm

and or common The Lee Place

2. Location

street & number Off Fiddler's Reach Road not for publication

city, town Phippsburg, vicinity of

state Maine code 23 county Sagadahoc code 023

3. Classification

Category	Ownership	Status	Present Use
<input type="checkbox"/> district	<input type="checkbox"/> public	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> occupied	<input type="checkbox"/> agriculture
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> building(s)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> private	<input type="checkbox"/> unoccupied	<input type="checkbox"/> commercial
<input type="checkbox"/> structure	<input type="checkbox"/> both	<input type="checkbox"/> work in progress	<input type="checkbox"/> educational
<input type="checkbox"/> site	Public Acquisition	Accessible	<input type="checkbox"/> entertainment
<input type="checkbox"/> object	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> in process	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> yes: restricted	<input type="checkbox"/> government
	<input type="checkbox"/> being considered	<input type="checkbox"/> yes: unrestricted	<input type="checkbox"/> industrial
		<input type="checkbox"/> no	<input type="checkbox"/> military
			<input type="checkbox"/> museum
			<input type="checkbox"/> park
			<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> private residence
			<input type="checkbox"/> religious
			<input type="checkbox"/> scientific
			<input type="checkbox"/> transportation
			<input type="checkbox"/> other:

4. Owner of Property

name Anne F. Thompson

street & number 6 Sargent Street

city, town Hanover, state New Hampshire 03755

5. Location of Legal Description

courthouse, registry of deeds, etc. Sagadahoc County Registry of Deeds

street & number

city, town Bath, state Maine

6. Representation in Existing Surveys

title N/A has this property been determined eligible? N/A yes no

date federal state county local

depository for survey records

city, town state

7. Description

Condition excellent good fair deteriorated ruins unexposed**Check one** unaltered altered**Check one** original site moved

date _____

Describe the present and original (if known) physical appearance

Cold Spring Farm is a two story brick structure with a steeply pitched roof and a pair of tall chimneys. The house has double-hung sash with six-over-six lights and a central entrance flanked by sidelights. The exterior is plain and has no ornamentation. The rear (north) elevation is constructed into the side of the hill only the second story and half of the first story exposed. A one story wood frame ell on the east side was replaced by a brick wing of approximately the same configuration in 1934. In 1954 a small brick enclosed porch with a gable roof was added to the west side.

The house contains original period moldings including wainscott, architrave trim cornices. The doors are also original. In the parlor is a mantel-piece and chimney breast with shouldered architrave trim characteristic of the Georgian period. Mid-nineteenth century alterations include the newell post and balusters for the central staircase.

8. Significance

Period	Areas of Significance—Check and justify below			
<input type="checkbox"/> prehistoric	<input type="checkbox"/> archeology-prehistoric	<input type="checkbox"/> community planning	<input type="checkbox"/> landscape architecture	<input type="checkbox"/> religion
<input type="checkbox"/> 1400-1499	<input type="checkbox"/> archeology-historic	<input type="checkbox"/> conservation	<input type="checkbox"/> law	<input type="checkbox"/> science
<input type="checkbox"/> 1500-1599	<input type="checkbox"/> agriculture	<input type="checkbox"/> economics	<input type="checkbox"/> literature	<input type="checkbox"/> sculpture
<input type="checkbox"/> 1600-1699	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> architecture	<input type="checkbox"/> education	<input type="checkbox"/> military	<input type="checkbox"/> social/
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1700-1799	<input type="checkbox"/> art	<input type="checkbox"/> engineering	<input type="checkbox"/> music	<input type="checkbox"/> humanitarian
<input type="checkbox"/> 1800-1899	<input type="checkbox"/> commerce	<input type="checkbox"/> exploration/settlement	<input type="checkbox"/> philosophy	<input type="checkbox"/> theater
<input type="checkbox"/> 1900-	<input type="checkbox"/> communications	<input type="checkbox"/> industry	<input type="checkbox"/> politics/government	<input type="checkbox"/> transportation
		<input type="checkbox"/> invention		<input type="checkbox"/> other (specify)

Specific dates 1774 **Builder/Architect** William Lee

Statement of Significance (in one paragraph)

This fine Georgian house built into the side of a bluff facing the lower reaches of the Kennebec River was constructed by Mr. William Lee, an emigrant from England to Boston, who left that city because of the civil disturbances which culminated in the so-called "Boston Tea Party". Lee and his forebears were brick and chimney pot makers so that it is no accident that Cold Spring Farm was built of brick made from clay in the bank of the stream which runs into the river a few rods north of the house.

The house remained in the Lee family until 1895, since which time it has had numerous owners. It has recently been beautifully and correctly restored by the present owners.

Within a few yards of the west side of the house is a plentiful spring which does not freeze even in the coldest winter months.

9. Major Bibliographical References

Bath Independent, June 26, 1958.

10. Geographical Data

Acreage of nominated property 1

Quadrangle name Phippsburg

Quadrangle scale 1:24000

UTM References

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Verbal boundary description and justification

Assessor's Map 17, Lot 4

List all states and counties for properties overlapping state or county boundaries

state code county code

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11. Form Prepared By

name/title Frank A. Beard, Historian / Roger G. Reed, Architectural Historian

organization Maine Historic Preservation Commission date October, 1984

street & number 55 Capitol Street, Station #65 telephone 207/289-2132

city or town Augusta, state Maine 04333

12. State Historic Preservation Officer Certification

The evaluated significance of this property within the state is:

national state local

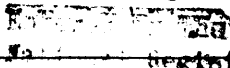
As the designated State Historic Preservation Officer for the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966 (Public Law 89-665), I hereby nominate this property for inclusion in the National Register and certify that it has been evaluated according to the criteria and procedures set forth by the National Park Service.

State Historic Preservation Officer signature *Earle S. Feltz*

title S.H.P.O. date 12/12/84

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I hereby certify that this property is included in the National Register

J. Delores Byers  date 2-14-85
Keeper of the National Register

Attest: _____ date _____

Chief of Registration