

Utah State Historical Society

Property Type:

Historic Preservation Research Office

Site No. BV-04-398

SIGN. SITE # 74

Structure/Site Information Form

IDENTIFICATION 1

Street Address: 390 North 400 West

UTM: 12/355950/4237800

Name of Structure:

T. R. S.

Present Owner: Gary Lee Press

LESS THAN ONE ACRE

Owner Address: Beaver, UT 84713

Year Built (Tax Record):  
Legal Description

Effective Age:  
Kind of Building:

Tax #: B-232

PLAT A BLK. 56 NORTHWEST QUARTER OF LOT 3

STATUS/USE 2

Original Owner: Atkins & Smith

Construction Date: 1890  
and c.1873

Demolition Date:

Original Use: residence

Present Use: single-family

Building Condition:

Integrity:

Preliminary Evaluation:

Final Register Status:

- Excellent
- Good
- Deteriorated
- Site
- Ruins
- Unaltered
- Minor Alterations
- Major Alterations
- Significant
- Contributory
- Not Contributory
- Not of the Historic Period
- National Landmark
- National Register
- State Register
- District
- Multi-Resource
- Thematic

DOCUMENTATION 3

Photography:

Date of Slides:

Slide No.:

Date of Photographs:

Photo No.:

Views:  Front  Side  Rear  Other

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Research Sources:

- Abstract of Title
- Plat Records/Map
- Tax Card & Photo
- Building Permit
- Sewer Permit
- Sanborn Maps
- City Directories
- Biographical Encyclopedias
- Obituary Index
- County & City Histories
- Newspapers
- Utah State Historical Society
- Personal Interviews
- LDS Church Archives
- LDS Genealogical Society
- U of U Library
- BYU Library
- USU Library
- SLC Library
- Other fieldwork

Bibliographical References (books, articles, records, interviews, old photographs and maps, etc.):

Mr. Alton Atkins, interviewed 9/25/79 in Beaver, Utah by L. L. Bonar.

Beaver County Records.

Architect/Builder: Thomas Frazer

Building Materials: black rock and pink rock

Building Type/Style:

## Description of physical appearance &amp; significant architectural features:

(Include additions, alterations, ancillary structures, and landscaping if applicable)

This home originally consisted of a one-room black rock cottage. On the front facade, there is a window-door-window piercing pattern which was built with bilateral symmetry. The front facade also has ashlar stonework and it probably once had raised, white-staired mortar joints but they have been repointed and this detail, if it truly existed, has been lost. On the side facade a gable end window and a lean-to are visible, both portions being constructed of black rock rubble. This section of the house has wood lintles and a Greek Revival style cornice is the only extant decoration.

A large pink rock addition was built c.1890 on the north side of the original cottage. This addition is 1½ stories tall, the half story serving as an attic only. The gable ends have Jerkin heads and there is a broad, white cornice all along the eave line. The stonework on this section of the house is of excellent quality and appears to be Thomas Frazer's work too. Three sides of the pink rock addition display ashlar stonework, and the windows and doors all have large pink rock lintles above them.

Statement of Historical Significance:

Construction Date:

The original black rock cottage represents one of the early "permanent" homes in Beaver and was probably built for James Atkins by Thomas Frazer. It also appears that Frazer built the pink rock addition, this time for John A. Smith the new owner of the property. Besides these facts, the home is further significant because of its historic date and its unaltered, historic design.