

FORM B - BUILDING

MASSACHUSETTS HISTORICAL COMMISSION
80 BOYLSTON STREET
BOSTON, MA 02116

MAY 15 1989

541 SOUTHBRIDGE MASS

MRA

AREA	FORM NO.
D	455

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 intersection(s).
Indicate north

Town SouthbridgeAddress 45 West StreetHistoric Name Hamilton Mill/West Street

Factory Housing

Use: Present residentialOriginal residential

DESCRIPTION

Date Ca. 1831-1855Source mapsStyle Greek RevivalArchitect unknownExterior Wall Fabric clapboardsOutbuildings noneMajor Alterations (with dates) NoneCondition PoorMoved No Date n/aAcreage one acre or lessSetting mixed commercial/industrial/
residential areaRecorded by E. Woodford, ed. S. CeccacciOrganization Southbridge Historical Com-
missionDate May 1986UTM REFERENCE 18/744 320/A662 620USGS QUADRANGLE Southbridge MA CTSCALE 1:25,000

NATIONAL REGISTER CRITERIA STATEMENT (if applicable)

The Hamilton Mill /
West Street Tenement is significant as rare surviving housing of Southbridge's early mill development at Globe Village, meeting National Register criteria A and C. It retains integrity of setting, location, materials, workmanship, design, feeling, and association. The boundaries indicated on the attached assessors map are those of current ownership.

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

The second in a row of four frame tenement houses built by the Hamilton Woolen Mill for its workers, this building is the best preserved. Greek Revival in style, it has four facade bays with entrances on the front and sides. Like other worker housing built during the early to mid-19th century by the company, these tenements show a high degree of architectural pretension. Bearing the same ornamental details seen on mid and upper income level houses of the day, each of these buildings looks similar to a substantial Greek Revival farmhouse with heavy paneled corner pilasters and a wide entablature on the main facade. Later frame multi-family housing built by Hamilton, such as a group (ca. 1870's) still standing, but altered, on Mill Street, which were plainer and less imposing than these.

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

This building and those on either side of it composed a group of three apparently identical tenement houses which were already shown standing on the 1855 Southbridge map. A fourth tenement house was built to the west of these three between 1870 and 1879. The earlier three buildings were part of an extensive building effort by the Hamilton Woolen Company between the late 1830's and the Civil War which resulted from the success and expansion of the company following the introduction of the manufacture of deslaines in 1844. During this period the manufacturing plant was greatly expanded and housing for managerial, middle level employees and workers were built by the company or under its encouragement.

BIBLIOGRAPHY and/or REFERENCES

maps. atlases

United States Department of the Interior
National Park ServiceNational Register of Historic Places
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Multiple Resource Area
Thematic GroupName Southbridge MRA
State Worcester County, MASSACHUSETTS

Nomination/Type of Review	Date/Signature
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32. Globe Village Fire House Entered in the National Register	for Keeper <u>Melrose Byrum</u> 6/22/89 Attest _____
33. Glover Street Historic District Entered in the National Register	for Keeper <u>Melrose Byrum</u> 6/22/89 Attest _____
34. Hamilton Mill Brick House Entered in the National Register	for Keeper <u>Melrose Byrum</u> 6/22/89 Attest _____
35. Hamilton Mill--West Street Factory Housing Entered in the National Register	for Keeper <u>Melrose Byrum</u> 6/22/89 Attest _____
36. Hamilton Millwright--Agent's House Entered in the National Register	for Keeper <u>Melrose Byrum</u> 6/22/89 Attest _____
37. Hamilton Woolen Company Historic District Substantive Review	for Keeper <u>Betty L. Savage</u> 6/22/89 Attest _____
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39. Hartwell, George H., House Entered in the National Register	for Keeper <u>Melrose Byrum</u> 6/22/89 Attest _____
40. Hartwell, Samuel C., House Entered in the National Register	for Keeper <u>Melrose Byrum</u> 6/22/89 Attest _____

NATIONAL PARK SERVICE

NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES
EVALUATION/RETURN SHEET

REQUESTED ACTION: NOMINATION

PROPERTY NAME: Hamilton Mill--West Street Factory Housing

MULTIPLE NAME: Southbridge MRA

STATE & COUNTY: MASSACHUSETTS, Worcester

DATE RECEIVED: 5/15/89 DATE OF PENDING LIST: 5/31/89
DATE OF 16TH DAY: 6/16/89 DATE OF 45TH DAY: 6/29/89
DATE OF WEEKLY LIST:

REFERENCE NUMBER: 89000541

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 6/22/89 DATE

Entered in the
National Register

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 _____



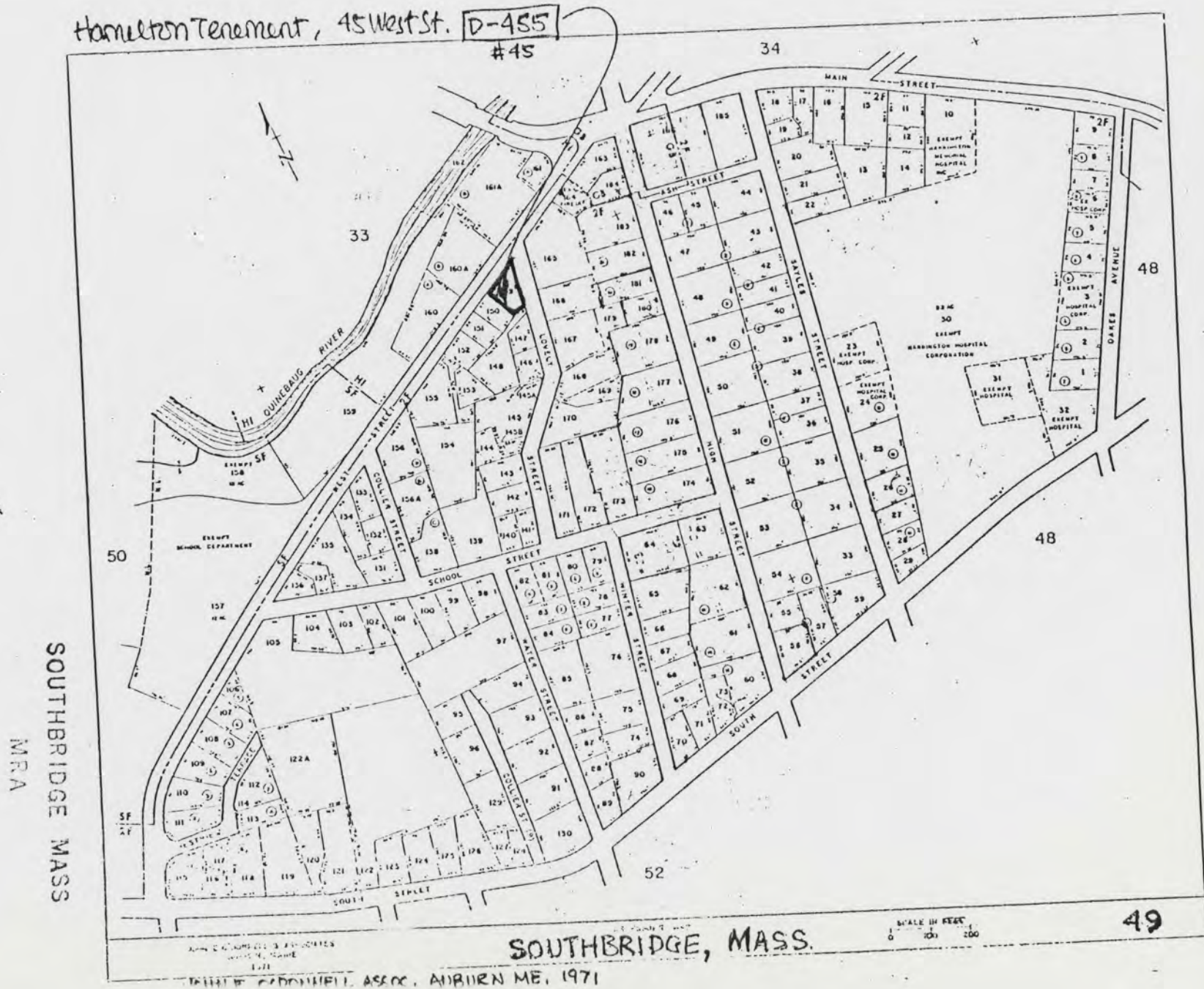
45 West St. (D-455)

Hamilton Mill West St Factory Housing
Southbridge, MA MA

1986

Southbridge Historical Commission

Hamilton Tenement, 45 West St. D-455
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Please refer to the map in the
Multiple Property Cover Sheet
for this property

Multiple Property Cover Sheet Reference Number: 64000294