

FORM B - BUILDING

MASSACHUSETTS HISTORICAL COMMISSION
Office of the Secretary, State House, Boston

In Area no. NW CAMB.	Form no. NWC IIA1
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1. Town Cambridge
 Address 2067-89 Massachusetts Avenue
 Name Henderson Carriage Repository
 Present use commercial

2. Photo (3x3" or 3x5")
 Staple to left side of form
 Photo number 1105-22

Present owner Conal Doyle
~~G. T. Realty Trust~~

3. Description:
 Date 1892
 Source deed records

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

Style Mill construction with Queen
 Anne influence
 Architect Charles Park

Exterior wall fabric brick

Outbuildings (describe) -----

Other features of brick construction,
 repository known mainly for its

huge mass, and one of few remaining
 buildings associated with carriage

Altered Yes - corner Date trade.
tower removed. unknown

Moved No Date -----

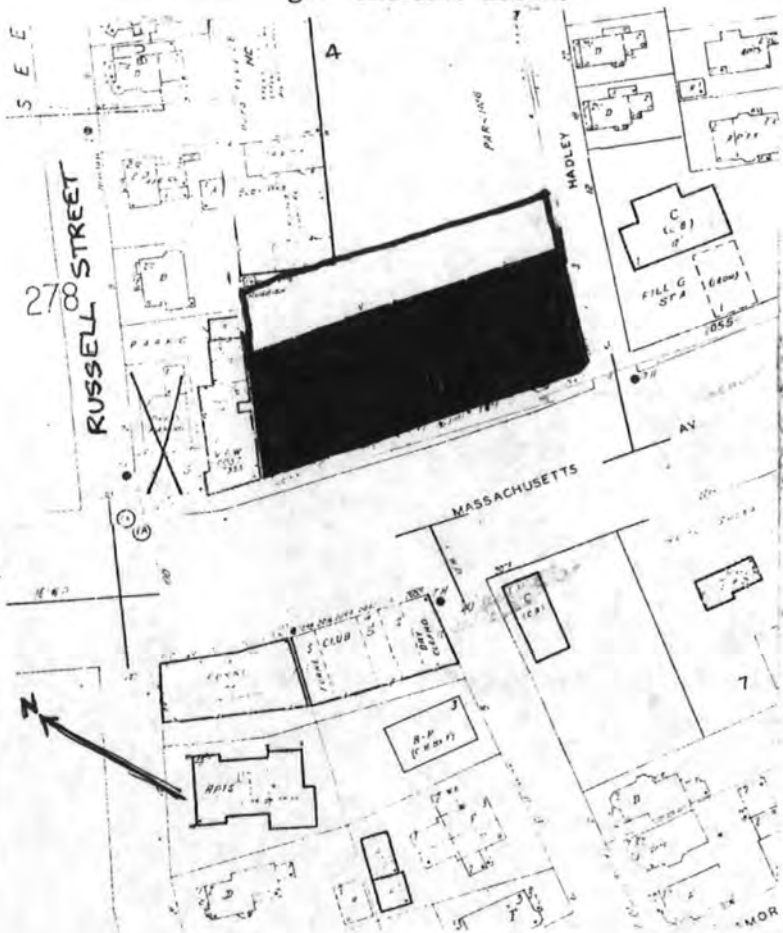
5. Lot size:
 One acre or less XX Over one acre -----

Approximate frontage 218 feet

Approximate distance of building from street
0 feet

6. Recorded by Robert Rettig
 Organization Cambridge Historical Comm.

Date 1968



ASSESSOR # 181-88

(over)

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 19/325200/4695210

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7. Original owner (if known) Henderson family

Original use industrial/commercial

Subsequent uses (if any) and dates commercial

8. Themes (check as many as applicable)

Aboriginal	<input type="checkbox"/>	Conservation	<input type="checkbox"/>	Recreation	<input type="checkbox"/>
Agricultural	<input type="checkbox"/>	Education	<input type="checkbox"/>	Religion	<input type="checkbox"/>
Architectural	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Exploration/ settlement	<input type="checkbox"/>	Science/ invention	<input type="checkbox"/>
The Arts	<input type="checkbox"/>	Industry	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Social/ humanitarian	<input type="checkbox"/>
Commerce	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Military	<input type="checkbox"/>	Transportation	<input type="checkbox"/>
Communication	<input type="checkbox"/>	Political	<input type="checkbox"/>		
Community development	<input type="checkbox"/>				

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

The Henderson Carriage Repository is one of two surviving buildings associated with the once extensive carriage building industry in Cambridge. The Henderson family were the most renowned carriage builders in North Cambridge. Robert Henderson, a blacksmith, opened a smithy on North Massachusetts Avenue in 1841 and, in 1862, opened a small factory where he began to build carriages with his two sons. In 1869 the Henderson family erected what was then the largest industrial building in North Cambridge on the site of the present building. Although this structure burned in 1892, it was immediately replaced by the present building, which was designed by Charles Park of Boston.

The building is 213 feet long, 85 feet wide and five stories high. The first story was intended and continues to be used for commercial purposes. While in use as a carriage repository, the four upper floors held an estimated 2000 assorted carriages.

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

United States Department of the Interior
National Park Service

National Register of Historic Places
Inventory—Nomination Form

For NPS use only
received
date entered

Continuation sheet

Item number

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Multiple Resource Area
Thematic Group

Name Cambridge Multiple Resource Area
State MA

Nomination/Type of Review	Date/Signature
151. Day, Anna, House <i>Substantive Review</i>	✓ Keeper <u>William H. Brackham 4.13.82</u> Attest _____
152. Kingsley, Chester, House <i>Substantive Review</i>	✓ Keeper <u>William H. Brackham 4.13.82</u> Attest _____
153. Watson, Abraham, House <i>Substantive Review</i>	✓ Keeper <u>William H. Brackham 4.13.82</u> Attest _____
154. Wyeth Brickyard Superintendent's House <i>Substantive Review</i>	✓ Keeper <u>William H. Brackham 4.13.82</u> Attest _____
155. Greek Revival Cottage <i>Substantive Review</i>	✓ Keeper <u>William H. Brackham 4.13.82</u> Attest _____
156. ✓ St. James Episcopal Church <i>Substantive Review</i>	✓ Keeper <u>Donna Lee Boyd 6.30.83</u> Attest _____
157. Kidder-Sargent-McCrehan House <i>Substantive Review</i>	✓ Keeper <u>William H. Brackham 4.13.82</u> Attest _____
158. Henderson Carriage Repository <i>Substantive Review</i>	✓ Keeper <u>William H. Brackham 4.13.82</u> Attest _____
159. Soule, Lawrence, House <i>Substantive Review</i>	✓ Keeper <u>William H. Brackham 4.13.82</u> Attest _____
160. Wyeth-Smith House <i>Substantive Review</i>	✓ Keeper <u>William H. Brackham 4.13.82</u> Attest _____

EVALUATION / RETURN SHEET

Property: Henderson Carriage Repository
(Cambridge Multiple Resource Area)
State, County: MA - Middlesex
Federal Agency: _____

Working No. 11-14-80-2862
Fed. Reg. Date: _____
Date Due: 4-17-82
Action: ACCEPT 4/13/82
 RETURN _____
 REJECT _____

- resubmission
- nomination by person or local government
- owner objection
- appeal

photos 1
maps _____

Substantive Review: sample request appeal NR decision

Reviewer's comments:

Significant associations with commercial/industrial development of the area.

Recom./Criteria A
Reviewer Brahman
Discipline Arch His
Date 4.5.82
 see continuation sheet

Nomination returned for: technical corrections cited below
 substantive reasons discussed below

1. Name

2. Location

3. Classification

Category Ownership Status Present Use
Public Acquisition Accessible

4. Owner of Property

5. Location of Legal Description

6. Representation in Existing Surveys

has this property been determined eligible? yes no

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

- summary paragraph
- completeness
- clarity
- alterations/integrity
- dates
- boundary selection

8. 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

9. Major Bibliographical References

10. Geographical Data

Acres of nominated property _____

Quadrangle name _____

UMT References _____

Verbal boundary description and justification _____

11. Form Prepared By

12. State Historic Preservation Officer Certification

The evaluated significance of this property within the state is:

national state local

State Historic Preservation Officer signature _____

title _____ date _____

13. Other

- Maps
- Photographs
- Other

Questions concerning this nomination may be directed to _____

Signed _____ Date _____ Phone: 202 272 - 3504

Comments for any item may be continued on an attached sheet



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Cambridge MA, Ma
Henderson Carriage Repository

0430

2067-89 Massachusetts Ave.

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

Multiple Property Cover Sheet Reference Number: 64000275