

FORM B - BUILDING

Area	Form no.
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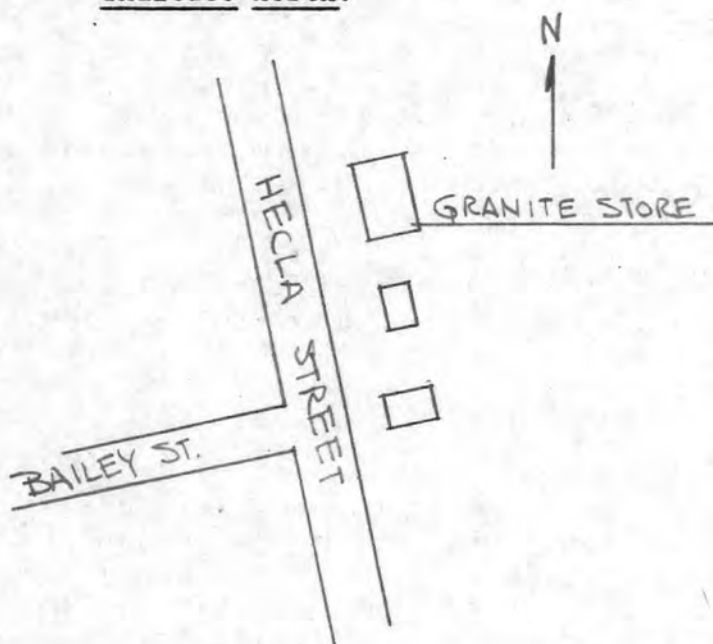
MASSACHUSETTS HISTORICAL COMMISSION
294 Washington Street, Boston, MA 02108

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SKETCH MAP

Draw map showing property's
location in relation to nearest
cross streets and other buildings
or geographical features.
Indicate north.



Recorded by B.R. Pfeiffer
Organization Uxbridge Historical Commission
Date May 1981

Town Uxbridge
Address 112-116 Hecla Street
Historic Name the Granite Store
Use: Original commercial
Present residential
Ownership: ☒ Private individual
Private organization _____
Public _____
Original owner P. Cummings (1855) or G.R. Spaulding

DESCRIPTION:

Date ca. 1850-1860
Source exterior & atlases
Style astylistic
Architect unknown
Exterior wall fabric split granite
Outbuildings none
Major alterations (with dates) _____
none apparent
Moved no Date N/A
Approx. acreage 26,552 sq. ft.
Setting in former mill village of wood-frame cottages (ca. 1840-1885)

UTM BL: 19/283840/4661130

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ARCHITECTURAL SIGNIFICANCE (describe important architectural features and evaluate in terms of other buildings within community)

Basically astylistic in its design, the Granite Store is noteworthy both for its granite construction and for its preservation of its original, commercial design. The building is rectangular in plan, built of alternating wide and narrow courses of rock-faced granite ashlar. Cornices are trimmed with simple Italianate style brackets and sash is of two sizes of 6/6.

SEE CONTINUATION SHEET

HISTORICAL SIGNIFICANCE (explain the role owners played in local or state history and how the building relates to the development of the community)

In addition to the integrity of its original design, the Granite Store possesses historical associations with the expansion of Hecla Village, as a mill village. The building's facade and plan reminds that of the Rogerson Block of the 1820's (Form #47-B), although at a smaller scale. This similarity of plan and elevation suggests that like the Rogerson Block the Granite Store may have been planned to contain a store (first storey) and a community hall (second storey).

Early ownership of the building is unclear. In 1855, a building owned by P. Cummings is marked in this location; however, it is not until 1870 that the present building was clearly labelled on this site. In 1870, the Granite Store was marked as the property of G.R. Spaulding; however, Spaulding may merely have operated a company store here for the owners of the Hecla Mill. The listing which follows Spaulding's name on the 1870 Atlas's directory, suggests that Spaulding also ran a company-owned farm at Hecla Village.

The Granite Store possesses integrity of location, design, setting, materials and workmanship, as well as historical associations with the development of Hecla Village as workers' housing for the nearby Hecla Mill. The Granite Store meets criteria A and C of the NRHP.

BIBLIOGRAPHY and/or REFERENCES: Maps & Atlases: 1855, 1857, 1870, 1898
Chapin 1881: 73
Hurd 1888 I: 170
Jewett 1879 II: 433
Sprague 1927: 36, 63, 88 & 90

INVENTORY FORM CONTINUATION SHEET

MASSACHUSETTS HISTORICAL COMMISSION
Office of the Secretary, Boston

Community:

Uxbridge

Form No:

43-65

Property Name: Granite Store

Indicate each item on inventory form which is being continued below.

ARCHITECTURAL SIGNIFICANCE

The facade (west) is symmetrical, having a center entry flanked by two oversized windows on each side, which, in turn, are flanked by single entries near the building's corners; the second storey contains six smaller windows. End elevations are asymmetrical.

Owner: Anna V. Cove
112-116 Hecla Street
Uxbridge, MA

Staple to Inventory form at bottom

United States Department of the Interior
National Park ServiceNational Register of Historic Places
Inventory—Nomination Form

For NPS use only

received 8/26/83

date entered

Continuation sheet

Item number

Page 2 of 5

Multiple Resource Area
Thematic GroupName Uxbridge Multiple Resource Area
State MA

Nomination/Type of Review

Date/Signature

11. Capron, Charles, House Entered in the
National Register

Keeper

Melrose Byers 10/7/83

Attest

12. Chapin, A., House Entered in the
National Register

Keeper

Melrose Byers 10/7/83

Attest

13. Cook, A. E., House Entered in the
National Register

Keeper

Melrose Byers 10/7/83

Attest

14. Central Woolen Mills
District

Substantive Review

Keeper

Bruce Lee Boyd 1/20/84

Attest

15. Deane, Francis, Cottage Entered in the
National Register

Keeper

Melrose Byers 10/7/83

Attest

16. Farnum Block Entered in the
National Register

Keeper

Melrose Byers 10/7/83

Attest

17. Farnum, Moses, House Entered in the
National Register

Keeper

Melrose Byers 10/7/83

Attest

18. Farnum, R., House Entered in the
National Register

Keeper

Melrose Byers 10/7/83

Attest

19. Granite Store Entered in the
National Register

Keeper

Melrose Byers 10/7/83

Attest

20. Hall, S. A., House Entered in the
National Register

Keeper

Melrose Byers 10/7/83

Attest

NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES
EVALUATION/RETURN SHEET

Granite Store (Uxbridge M R A)
Worcester County
MASSACHUSETTS

AUG 26 1983

Working No. _____

Fed. Reg. Date: 2-5-85

Date Due: 9/22/83 - 10/10/83

Action: ☒ ACCEPT 10/7/83

Entered in the _____ RETURN _____
National Register _____ REJECT _____

Federal Agency: _____

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

Substantive Review: ☐ sample ☐ request ☐ appeal ☐ NR decision

Reviewer's comments:

Recom./Criteria _____

Reviewer _____

Discipline _____

Date _____

_____ 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 | ☐ deteriorated |
| ☐ good | ☐ ruins |
| ☐ fair | ☐ 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

Acreage of nominated property _____

Quadrangle name _____

UTM 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

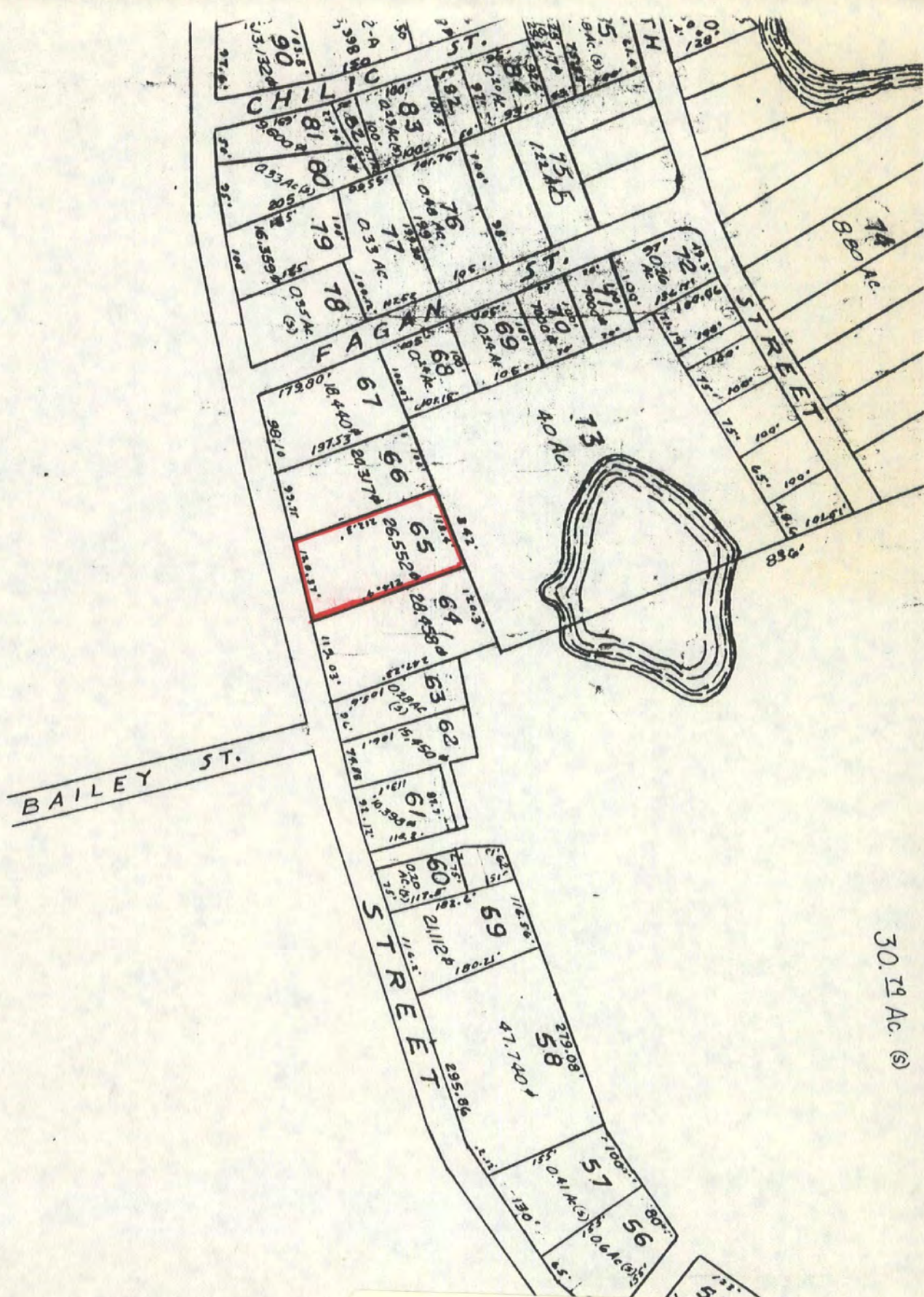
13. Other

- ☐ Maps
- ☐ Photographs
- ☐ Other

Questions concerning this nomination may be directed to _____

Signed _____ Date _____ Phone: _____





Uxbridge Multiple Resource Area
Granite Store
112 Hecla Street
Map #43 Lot #65

Uxbridge Assessors
1" = 200' 1983

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

Multiple Property Cover Sheet Reference Number: 64000299