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HARRISVILLE HISTORIC AND ARCHITECTURAL RESOURCES SURVEY INDIVIDUAL INVENTORY FORM		DISTRICT: --	SITE #: IP-3
PROPERTY NAME (HISTORIC): The Moses Eaton, Jr. House	OWNER (ORIGINAL): Daniel Warren		
PROPERTY NAME: The Willard C. Richardson House	OWNER: Willard, Gertrude M. Richardson		
LOCATION: On Rt. 137 (Hancock Road) on the northeast corner of its intersection with Harrisville and Sargent Camp Roads.	ADDRESS: RFD #2, Box 73 Peterborough 03458		
UTM REFERENCES: 18-743150-4757675	ACREAGE: 1.1 RANGE/LOT: IX-2-1		
USGS QUADRANGLE: Monadnock	VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION/JUSTIFICATION: See Site Map		
DATE: c.1790 SOURCE: Deed			
<p>PHYSICAL DESCRIPTION: This 1½ story five bay white clapboard plank cape cottage predates and is in more nearly original condition than any other house in Eastview. Its pair of narrow windows on either side of a sidelighted center entry are reminiscent of nearby IP-1 & IP-3 as well as PD-2 and PD-3 in Pottersville. In this instance, the four-paned sidelights, with dark green painted trim, flank only the top half of the red entry door. The roof features a large center chimney in good repair and two dormers, added in 1916. A small one story shed connects the rear of the house to a large vertical board barn to the north, a more common arrangement locally than locating the barn across the road (cf. IP-2)</p>			
<p>STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE: (Continued) The Moses Eaton, Jr. House is one of Harrisville's most important dwellings by virtue of both its architectural significance and integrity and its historical associations. The oldest building in Eastview and one of the town's two best preserved cape cottages (cf. IP-23) it enjoys a virtually undisturbed setting as well. Owned by only three families since its construction in the late 18th century by a newly-arrived settler who had fought in the Battle of Bunker Hill, it is one of several early hill farmsteads in southern Harrisville whose survival makes an important contribution to the town's impressively complete upland New Hampshire architectural inventory (see the Harrisville Rural District).</p> <p>The house's greatest distinction derives from its service for over half a century as the home of renowned itinerant stenciller Moses Eaton, Jr. Eaton's account books, stencilling tools (some of which are now preserved at the Society for the Preservation</p>			
<p>REFERENCES: (Continued) Deeds History of Dublin Keene Sentinel, July 31, 1982 Richardson, Gertrude and Willard, personal interview, April 7, 1983. Waring, Janet. Early American Stencils on Walls and Furniture. New York: Dover Publica-</p>			
MAP: SEE CONTINUATION SHEET			
<p>DESCRIPTION OF VIEW: Front elevation (south) Facing north</p>			
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PHYSICAL DESCRIPTION:

It is of interest that this particular barn was built c.1840 on the other side of the route to Hancock, then little more than a path, then moved to its current location c.1916.

On a granite foundation, the house faces south beside a towering 200 year old maple tree which dominates the dooryard.

The interior retains much original fabric including stencils by its most famous occupant, Moses Eaton, Jr., which are still visible in a front room (as cited in Waring).

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE:

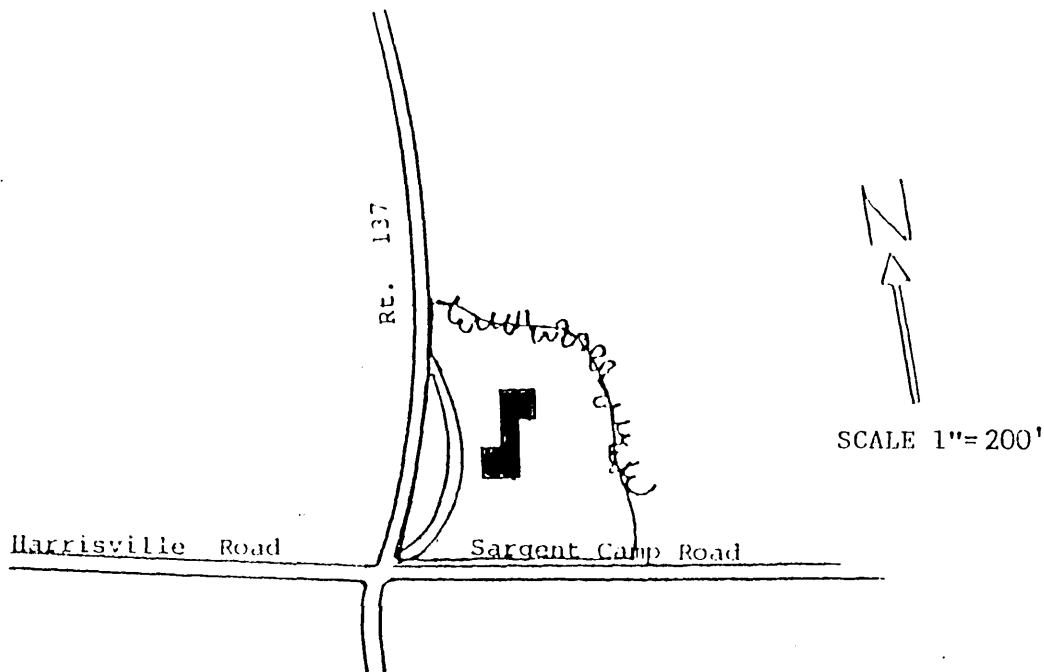
of New England Antiquities), and a sampling of his work have been found in the house. Once he had settled here, Eaton gained a reputation more as a successful farmer than as an artist, a tradition carried on by his grandson, orchardist and tree surgeon Clifton Richardson. The house is now owned and maintained with pride by Clifton Richardson's son, artist and silversmith Willard Richardson, whose own creative talent and interest in this land are strong links with his great-grandfather Eaton.

The Moses Eaton, Jr. house satisfies Criteria A, B and C of the National Register of Historic Places.

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- Contributing
- Non-contributing

VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION / JUSTIFICATION:

Bounded on the north by the edge of trees, on the east by edge of trees continuing on an arbitrary line to the road, on the south by the Sargent Camp Road and on the west by the edge of Rt. 137.

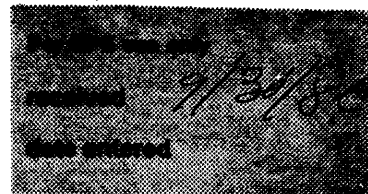
Includes the immediate visual surroundings incorporating the features contributing to the property's architectural and historical significance.

Noted as property IP-3 on Town of Harrisville Map, included with this nomination.

The boundaries of the property are indicated by the heavy black line on the sketch map above.

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Multiple Resource Area
Thematic Group

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Name Harrisville MRA
State Cheshire County, NEW HAMPSHIRE

~~Substantive Review~~ *over*

Patrick Andrus 1/14/88

Nomination/Type of Review

Date/Signature

1. Beech Hill Summer Home ✓
District

~~Substantive Review~~ *for* Keeper

Patrick Ward Andrus 1/14/88

Attest

Betty L. Savage 1/14/88

2. Chesham Village District

~~Entered in the National Register~~ Keeper

Shelton Byers 1/24/88

Attest

3. Eaton, Moses, Jr., ✓
House

~~Substantive Review~~ *for* Keeper

Patrick Andrus 1/14/88

Attest

Betty L. Savage 1/14/88

4. Gilchrest Homestead ✓

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5. Glenchrest ✓

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6. Harrisville Rural District

~~Substantive Review~~

Keeper

J. Rogers 2-18-87

Attest

7. Pottersville District

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8. Silver Lake District

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9. Stationmaster's House ✓

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10. Townsend, Jabez, House ✓

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