

JAN 24 1990 FORM NO. 171

MASSACHUSETTS HISTORICAL COMMISSION
 10 BOYLSTON STREET
 BOSTON, MA 02116

108

Photos

- 6:11 exterior view
 38:6 quirk beaded summer beam
 38:7 older roof showing carpenter's markings

Town Holliston 017Address 77 Ashland StreetHistoric Name Isaac Bullard HouseUse: Present ResidenceOriginal Residence

DESCRIPTION

Date ca. 1710Source Visual analysisStyle First PeriodArchitect UnknownExterior Wall Fabric ClapboardOutbuildings Garage - 20th c.

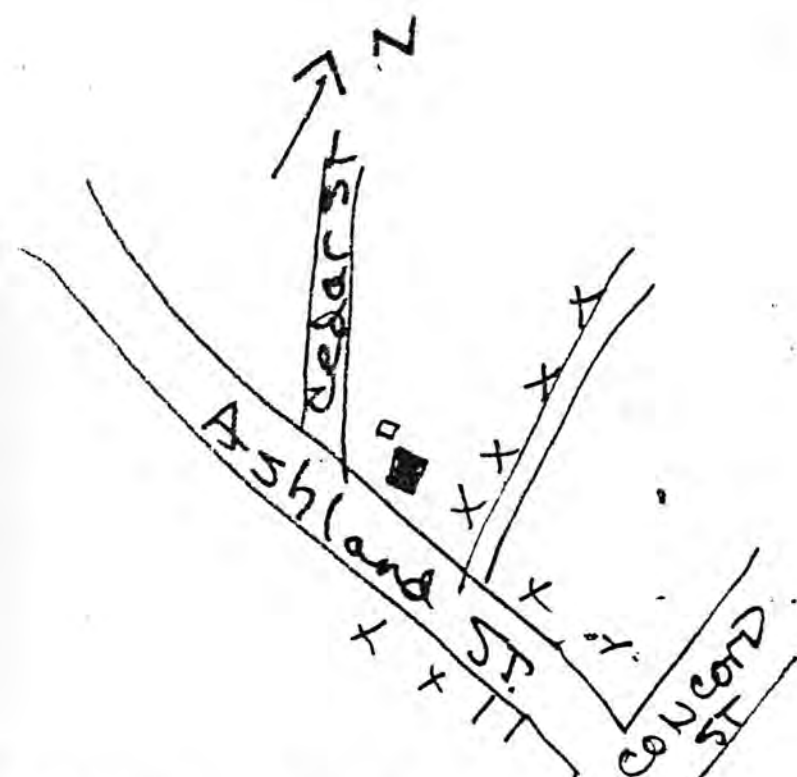
Major Alterations (with dates) Western bay and lean-to added, late 18th c.; porch and ell added to rear (modern - dates unknown); chimney and front interior stairs replaced, ca. 1930.

Condition GoodMoved No Date N/AAcreage 3 acres

Setting Semi-rural road, opposite woods, primarily 20th c. houses - low granite retaining wall at front.

Recorded by Anne GradyOrganization Boston UniversityDate June 1986

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REFERENCE 19 / 299-000 / 4677-780QUADRANGLE Holliston (now Medfield)E 1:25,000

INVENTORY FORM CONTINUATION SHEET

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Office of the Secretary, Boston

Community: HOLLISTON	Form No: 103
Property Name: Isaac Bullard House	

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SIGNIFICANCE

The Bullard House retains integrity of location, design, materials, workmanship, feeling and association. Despite alterations to the later parts of the house, it is still significant under Criterion C as embodying the distinctive characteristics of late First Period structural carpentry and interior planning. Built after c. 1710, it is a good example of the early eighteenth century continuation of exposed framing with quirk-beaded framing members. It is unusual in its longitudinal second story summer beam, which may prove to be related to the Middlesex County continuation of a traditional common/principal rafter roofing system, (as exists here.) The house also continues the pattern of the non-integral leanto, (either original or added,) common to the previous century.

EXTERIOR DESCRIPTION

The Isaac Bullard House appears today as a fully developed 'salt-box' with evenly fenestrated clapboard facade, central chimney and entrance, two windows at each story in both major end rooms and irregular fenestration lighting the ends of the leanto. The old chimney stack was removed and replaced by a smaller modern one in the 1930's, as were the front stairs, and the chimney bay opened to existing rooms. A modern one story screened porch has been added across the rear of the leanto, and a modern gabled addition added to the NE corner. There is a small non-contributing garage to the NW of the house.

MAJOR FIRST PERIOD FEATURES

The First Period core of this house consists of the eastern rooms and chimney bay; the western bay and the leanto are additions of the later 18th century, and do not have a decorated frame. The frame of the c.1710 house is quirk-beaded with runout stops on exposed front and rear plates as well as the summer at both floors. The exposed joists of the first story are 20 1/2 inches on centers, in a room 16' deep and 17' across. The first floor chimney girt has a beveled chamfer with runout stop, and a beveled chamfer on the face in the entry hall. In the leanto behind the main east room, the corner post is gunstocked. This, together with the evidence of a cellar suggests this may have been an original narrow leanto extending from the chimney bay across the rear of the original house.

The most unusual aspect of the frame the longitudinal placement of both first and second story summer beams. In the attic, the first four rafters of the oldest part of the roof display Roman numerals near the bridled and pegged apex; the first is hidden by exterior clapboards, but "II," "III," and "IV" appear on the face of rafters set only 4' apart. Rafters against both sides of the chimney have been altered.

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In the cellar, the first floor of the main block is supported on large longitudinal sleepers and is deeper than that of the western addition. There is a cellar under the eastern half of the leanto, with transverse sleepers, suggesting an early if not original date.

LATER SIGNIFICANT FEATURES

The roofing system on the west uses similar spacing in its common-rafter system; the rafters are joined at the apex by a diamond-shaped ridge pole into which the shaved ends of the rafters are pegged. This later 18th century roof also has windbraces between the ridge pole and rafters of the two westernmost bays.

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National Park ServiceNational Register of Historic Places
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Multiple Resource Area
Thematic GroupName First Period Buildings of Eastern Massachusetts TR
State _____

Nomination/Type of Review

Date/Signature

91. Bullard, Isaac, House

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Keeper

Melrose Byers 3/9/90

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50 92. Foster, Samuel, House

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
NATIONAL PARK SERVICE

NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES
EVALUATION/RETURN SHEET

REQUESTED ACTION: NOMINATION

PROPERTY Bullard, Isaac, House
NAME:

MULTIPLE First Period Buildings of Eastern Massachusetts TR
NAME:

STATE & COUNTY: MASSACHUSETTS, Middlesex

DATE RECEIVED: 1/24/90 DATE OF PENDING LIST: 2/07/90
DATE OF 16TH DAY: 2/23/90 DATE OF 45TH DAY: 3/10/90
DATE OF WEEKLY LIST:

REFERENCE NUMBER: 90000171

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

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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

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Signed _____ Date _____



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Holliston, MA

Isaac Bullard House

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Holliston, MA

Isaac Bullard House

1st Period Buildings of E. May TR

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Hodurton, MA

Isaac Bullard House

Common rafter roof

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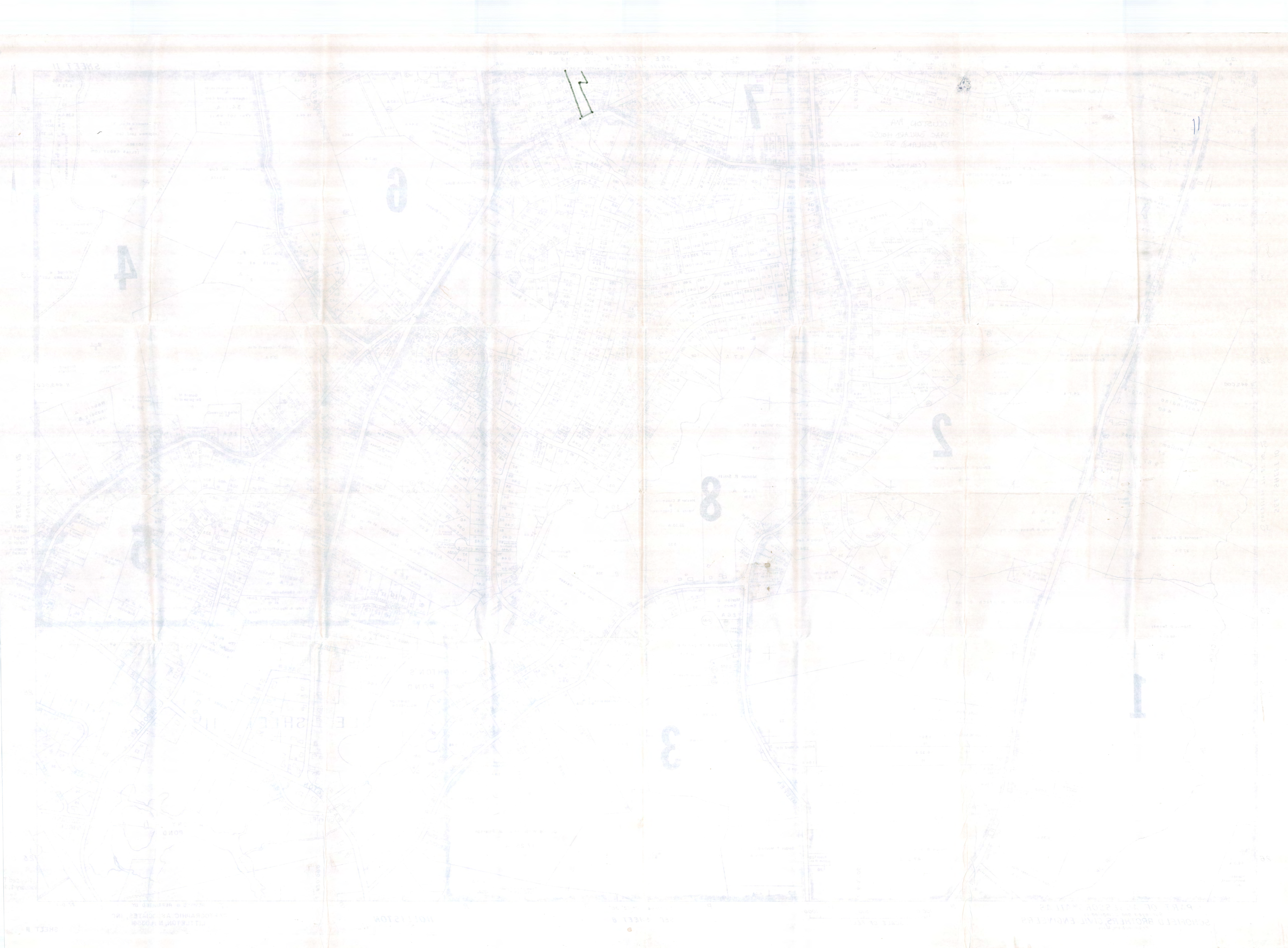
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HOLLISTON
SHEET 11

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Multiple Property Cover Sheet
for this property

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