

Utah State Historical Society

*Property Type:

Historic Preservation Research Office

Site No. BV-04-523

SIGN. SITE #100

Structure/Site Information Form

IDENTIFICATION 1

Street Address: 115 ~~North~~ 400 West

UTM: 12/355800/4237500

Name of Structure:

T. R. S.

Present Owner: Chloe Farrer Fillmore

LESS THAN ONE ACRE

Owner Address: Beaver, Utah 84713

Year Built (Tax Record):
Legal Description

Effective Age:
Kind of Building:

Tax #: B-315

PLAT B BLK 9 SOUTHEAST QUARTER OF LOT 1

STATUS/USE 2

Original Owner: David Powell, House B... Construction Date: c. 1875

Demolition Date:

Original Use: Residence

Present Use: Residence

Building Condition:

Integrity:

Preliminary Evaluation:

Final Register Status:

Excellent

Site

Unaltered

Significant

Not of the

National Landmark

District

Good

Ruins

Minor Alterations

Contributory

Historic Period

National Register

Multi-Resource

Deteriorated

Major Alterations

Not Contributory

State Register

Thematic

DOCUMENTATION 3

Photography:

Date of Slides:

Slide No.:

Date of Photographs:

Photo No.:

Views: Front Side Rear Other

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Research Sources:

Abstract of Title

Sanborn Maps

Newspapers

U of U Library

Plat Records/Map

City Directories

Utah State Historical Society

BYU Library

Tax Card & Photo

Biographical Encyclopedias

Personal Interviews

USU Library

Building Permit

Obituary Index

LDS Church Archives

SLC Library

Sewer Permit

County & City Histories

LDS Genealogical Society

Other fieldwork

Bibliographical References (books, articles, records, interviews, old photographs and maps, etc.):

Chloe Fillmore, interviewed July 1979 in Beaver by L.L. Bonar.
Thomas Frazer Journals, ed. Linda L. Bonar, University of Utah.
Library (Marriott), Special Collections.

Researcher: L.L. Bonar

Date: 10/19/80

Architect/Builder: Thomas Frazer

Building Materials: Black rock

Building Type/Style:

Description of physical appearance & significant architectural features:

(Include additions, alterations, ancillary structures, and landscaping if applicable)

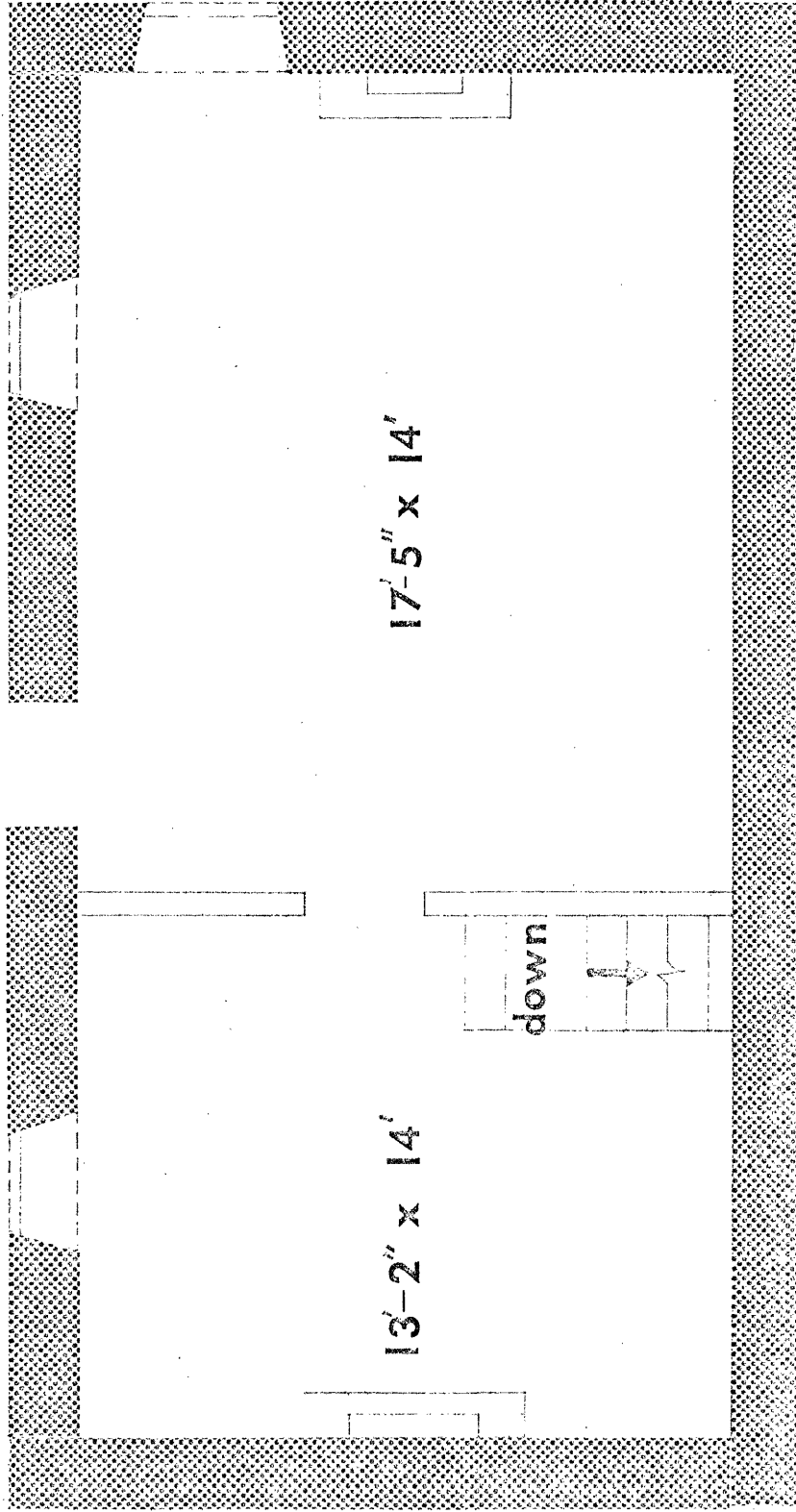
This black rock home is 1-1/2 stories tall with end-wall chimneys and a steeply pitched roof. Originally the home contained two rooms upstairs over two rooms downstairs, and displayed a symmetrical window-door-window fenestration pattern on both floors of the front facade. This home was built by Thomas Frazer, the local Scots stonemason, and it displays three of the six characteristics common to his style of building: ashlar stonework on the front facade, special treatment of the mortar joints (in this case, beaded and stained white) and dormer windows. At some unspecified time (though probably before 1880) a rear extension, one story tall, was added to the rear of the home. This extension is built of black rock and gave the home a "T" plan before more additions were built.

Statement of Historical Significance:**Construction Date:**

This home is significant because of its historic date, its stone construction materials, its relatively unaltered appearance, its builder and its original owner.

The home is one of the earliest large residences (1-1/2 story) built by Thomas Frazer. Frazer was still searching for his style and this fact can be seen on the front facade of this home. The dormers and upstairs doors are rather crowded together and there is no center gable, an architectural element that Frazer later used with great success. The home does display some of the "Scots" masonry technique, where a large stone block is set adjacent to a stack of two or three small stone blocks. This technique was commonly utilized in parts of Scotland and Frazer retained this method of masonry for several years in his work in Beaver. Evident in the 1933 tax photo is the original porch, which is no longer extant. The porch explains the presence of the upstairs door which was used as a utility door as well as for ventilation and light.

David Powell, the original owner of the home, was a polygamist in accordance with L.D.S. Church doctrine. He was probably a farmer, but he also burned and hauled lime from the Mineral Mountains some 12 miles west of Beaver. Thomas Frazer records in his work books that he sometimes paid Powell 65¢ per bushel of lime.



David Powell 2nd Floor Plan scale: 1/4" = 1'