

**HISTORIC RESOURCES INVENTORY
BUILDING AND STRUCTURES**

HIST-6 NEW 5/77

STATE OF CONNECTICUT
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FOR OFFICE USE ONLY			
Town No.:		Site No.:	
UTM	18	68	71504628750
QUAD:	Hartford North		
DISTRICT	IF NR. SPECIFY		
<input type="checkbox"/> S	<input type="checkbox"/> NR	<input type="checkbox"/> Actual	<input type="checkbox"/> Potential

IDENTIFICATION	1. BUILDING NAME (Common) _____ (Historic)	
	2. TOWN/CITY West Hartford	VILLAGE _____ COUNTY Hartford
	3. STREET AND NUMBER (and/or location) 847 Main Street North approx. .8 acres Vol. 863, p. 175.	
	4. OWNER(S) Forgotson, Jay M & Susannah <input type="checkbox"/> Public <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Private	
	5. USE (Present) _____ (Historic) Residence Residence	
	6. ACCESSIBILITY TO PUBLIC: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	EXTERIOR VISIBLE FROM PUBLIC ROAD <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
DESCRIPTION	7. STYLE OF BUILDING Mid 19th C. vernacular	
	DATE OF CONSTRUCTION c.1850?	
	8. MATERIAL(S) (Indicate use or location when appropriate)	
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Clapboard	<input type="checkbox"/> Asbestos Siding <input type="checkbox"/> Brick <input type="checkbox"/> Other (Specify) _____
	<input type="checkbox"/> Wood Shingle	<input type="checkbox"/> Asphalt Siding <input type="checkbox"/> Fieldstone
	<input type="checkbox"/> Board & Batten	<input type="checkbox"/> Stucco <input type="checkbox"/> Cobblestone
	<input type="checkbox"/> Aluminum Siding	<input type="checkbox"/> Concrete Type: _____ <input type="checkbox"/> Cut stone Type: _____
	9. STRUCTURAL SYSTEM	
	<input type="checkbox"/> Wood frame	<input type="checkbox"/> Post and beam <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> balloon
	<input type="checkbox"/> Load bearing masonry	<input type="checkbox"/> Structural iron or steel
<input type="checkbox"/> Other (Specify) _____		
10. ROOF (Type)		
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Gable	<input type="checkbox"/> Flat <input type="checkbox"/> Mansard <input type="checkbox"/> Monitor <input type="checkbox"/> sawtooth	
<input type="checkbox"/> Gambrel	<input type="checkbox"/> Shed <input type="checkbox"/> Hip <input type="checkbox"/> Round <input type="checkbox"/> Other (Specify) _____	
(Material)		
<input type="checkbox"/> Wood Shingle	<input type="checkbox"/> Roll Asphalt <input type="checkbox"/> Tin <input type="checkbox"/> Slate	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Asphalt shingle	<input type="checkbox"/> Built up <input type="checkbox"/> Tile <input type="checkbox"/> Other (Specify) _____	
11. NUMBER OF STORIES 2	APPROXIMATE DIMENSIONS 33 x 62	
12. CONDITION (Structural) _____ (Exterior)		
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Excellent <input type="checkbox"/> Good <input type="checkbox"/> Fair <input type="checkbox"/> Deteriorated	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Excellent <input type="checkbox"/> Good <input type="checkbox"/> Fair <input type="checkbox"/> Deteriorated	
13. INTEGRITY (Location) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> On original site <input type="checkbox"/> Moved	WHEN? _____ (Alterations) <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No IF YES, EXPLAIN (unless house is older and updated in 1850)	
14. RELATED OUTBUILDINGS OR LANDSCAPE FEATURES		
<input type="checkbox"/> Barn <input type="checkbox"/> Shed <input type="checkbox"/> Garage	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other landscape features or buildings (Specify) Mature trees surround property	
<input type="checkbox"/> Carriage house <input type="checkbox"/> Shop <input type="checkbox"/> Garden		
15. SURROUNDING ENVIRONMENT		
<input type="checkbox"/> Open land <input type="checkbox"/> Wood-land	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Residential <input type="checkbox"/> Scattered buildings visible from site	
<input type="checkbox"/> Commercial <input type="checkbox"/> Indus-trial <input type="checkbox"/> Rural	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> High building density	
16. INTERRELATIONSHIP OF BUILDING AND SURROUNDINGS		
House is sited on rise of land, with stone wall embankment. On busy highway, near stop light.		

(OVER)

DESCRIPTION (Continued)

2 story 5 bay symmetrical facade with paired interior end chimneys. (large) Gable roof has wide overhangs with returns, small blank frieze under eaves, medium width cornerboards.
 Center entrance has no window above doorway.
 Doorway : Composed of 1 pilaster on each side, minimal necking and capital, pulvinated frieze across top of door, flat hood. Entry door has 4 square lights in top of door.
 Sash windows, 2/2, minimal flat top hoods over ground floor windows. Twin smaller sash windows in gable 6/6.
 1 story gable "ell" to rear contains garage
 Foundation appears to be cement.

SIGNIFICANCE

18. ARCHITECT *N/A* BUILDER *Unknown*

19. HISTORICAL OR ARCHITECTURAL IMPORTANCE

The entry door, and the lack of window in center of facade 2nd floor are indicative of the time span of building this vernacular house.

Interior includes two diagonally placed fireplaces, as well as two walls of paneling in the north front room. HRC 12/84

SOURCES

PHOTO	PHOTOGRAPHER	DATE
	Elliott Hoffman 4.84	4/84
COMPILED BY	VIEW	NEGATIVE ON FILE
	W	K4a, H4b.
COMPILED BY	NAME	DATE
	Sherrill Foster 3/84	3/84
	ORGANIZATION	
Noah Webster Foundation & Hist. Soc. of West Hart		
ADDRESS		
227 South Main Street, West Hartford, CT 0610		



20. SUBSEQUENT FIELD EVALUATIONS
 Hatheway research gives date as c.1777, and overhang substantiates this; doorway is Georgian (pulvinated frieze), not Greek Revival.
 Sign on house: Gurdon Flagg/Built in 1748
 Eaves treatment is mid-19th century. HRC 12/84

21. THREATS TO BUILDING OR SITE

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> None known	<input type="checkbox"/> Highways	<input type="checkbox"/> Vandalism	<input type="checkbox"/> Developers	<input type="checkbox"/> Other _____
<input type="checkbox"/> Renewal	<input type="checkbox"/> Private	<input type="checkbox"/> Deterioration	<input type="checkbox"/> Zoning	<input type="checkbox"/> Explanation _____