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FORM NO.

106

MASSACHUSETTS HISTORICAL COMMISSION
80 BOYLSTON STREET
BOSTON, MA 02116

Photos

- 6:0a front stair hall
6:1 first floor, left-hand room
6:2 second floor, right-hand floor
6:4 exterior

Town SherbornAddress 128 Hollis StreetHistoric Name Addington Gardner HouseUse: Present ResidenceOriginal Residence

DESCRIPTION

Date ca. 1730Source Morse's History of SherbornStyle late 1st PeriodArchitect UnknownExterior Wall Fabric ClapboardOutbuildings 20th c. garage/shed

Major Alterations (with dates) Enlarged
2 cells deep, 18th c.; rear ell added
ca. 1800; attached carriage shed, 1
century
Condition fair

Moved No Date N/AAcreage 2.3 acres

Setting Close to road in suburban
rural setting, across street from
Greek Revival house

Recorded by Nora Pat SmallOrganization Boston UniversityDate August 1985

Sketch Map:

UTM REFERENCE 19 / 302-010 / 4676-360USGS QUADRANGLE Holliston (now Medfield)SCALE 1:25,000

INVENTORY FORM CONTINUATION SHEET

MASSACHUSETTS HISTORICAL COMMISSION
Office of the Secretary, Boston

Community: SHERBORN	Form No: 106
Property Name: Addington Gardner House	

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

SIGNIFICANCE

The Addington Gardner House retains integrity of location, material and workmanship in its surviving transitional First Period frame, making it eligible under Criterion C. The second floor longitudinal summer beams represent an unusual Massachusetts framing option worthy of further study.

EXTERIOR DESCRIPTION

The Addington Gardner House is a 2 1/2 story, 5-bay central chimney clapboarded structure now two rooms deep, although possibly one room deep originally. The main facade has a block modillion cornice and a Colonial Revival door surround surmounted by a projecting pediment. A c. 1800 1-story ell projects from the rear; a 1/2 story carriage shed is attached to this. There is a doorway with a hipped-roof porch on the right gable end.

MAJOR FIRST PERIOD FEATURES

The combination of late First Period quirk-beaded longitudinal summer beams on both floors and early Second Period finish in the front rooms seems to confirm the c. 1730 date. Both first floor front rooms have exposed, quirk-beaded longitudinal summer beams. The joist nails in the floorboards above the right-hand room indicate joists that are 19" on centers.

The second floor right chamber has an exposed longitudinal summer beam; that in the left chamber has a quirked bead. The roof is a principal rafter with ridge pole system, with braces in the end bays and at the two chimney bay rafter sets.

OTHER SIGNIFICANT FEATURES

Early Second Period details in the first floor left room include small-scale bolection molding at the fireplace opening, and three raised-field panels with very wide feather above the fireplace. The lobby has a simple transitional stairway with no balusters and square newel posts with turned knobs on top.

The second floor right front chamber has a small fireplace opening with bolection molding and raised-field paneling above the fireplace.

HISTORICAL INFORMATION

The house's long association with the Gardner family represents a significant example of the broad pattern of multi-generation family farms in New England history. The house was probably built by Addington

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Gardner, who came to Sherborn around 1730, a late date apparently confirmed by the transitional stylistic evidence. Gardners farmed the land until 1911, when the farm was sold to Ward J. Parks, a prominent dairy farmer who held numerous town offices.

REFERENCES

Rev. Abner Morse, History of Serborn and Holliston.
Anne C. Shaughnessy, A Guide to Sherborn.
Maps of 1788, 1875 and 1889.

United States Department of the Interior
National Park ServiceNational Register of Historic Places
Continuation Sheet

Section number _____ Page _____

Multiple Resource Area
Thematic GroupName First Period Buildings of Eastern Massachusetts TR
State _____

Nomination/Type of Review

Date/Signature

91. Bullard, Isaac, House

Entered in the
National Register

Keeper

Melvyn Byers 3/9/90

Attest _____

50 92. Foster, Samuel, House

Substantive Review

Keeper

Beth L. Savage 3/9/90

Attest _____

93. Gardner, Addington, House

Entered in the
National Register

Keeper

Melvyn Byers 3/9/90

Attest _____

94. Green House

Entered in the
National Register

Keeper

Melvyn Byers 3/9/90

Attest _____

50 95. Hammond House

Substantive Review

Keeper

Beth L. Savage 3/9/90

Attest _____

96. Hapgood House

Entered in the
National Register

Keeper

Melvyn Byers 3/9/90

Attest _____

97. Hill, Abraham, House

Entered in the
National Register

Keeper

Melvyn Byers 3/9/90

Attest _____

98. Hill, Deacon Samuel, House

Entered in the
National Register

Keeper

Melvyn Byers 3/9/90

Attest _____

99. Hopstill Bent Tavern

Substantive Review

Keeper

Beth L. Savage 3/9/90

Attest _____

100. Hosmer, Joseph, House

Entered in the
National Register

Keeper

Melvyn Byers 3/9/90

Attest _____

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
NATIONAL PARK SERVICE

NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES
EVALUATION/RETURN SHEET

REQUESTED ACTION: NOMINATION

PROPERTY NAME: Gardner, Addington, House

MULTIPLE NAME: First Period Buildings of Eastern Massachusetts TR

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: 90000179

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

☒ ACCEPT ☐ RETURN ☐ REJECT 3/19/96 DATE

Entered in the
National Register

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

_____ Phone _____

Signed _____ Date _____



128 Hollis Street,

6:4

Sherborn, MA

Addington Gardner House

06:04

1st Period Buildings of E. May, TR

1985



Sherborn, MA

6:04

128 Hollis St.

Addington Gardner
House

1st Period Buildings of E. Mass., TR

1985



128 Hollis Street,

MA

Sherborn, MA

Addington Gardner House

06: ~~00~~ 01

1st Porcel Buildings of E. May, TN

1985



6:2

Sherborn, MA

128 Hollis St.

Addington Gardner
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1st Period Building of E. Ma., TR

1985

MAP 3



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

Multiple Property Cover Sheet Reference Number: 64000281