

FORM B - BUILDING

MASSACHUSETTS HISTORICAL COMMISSION
80 BOYLSTON STREET
BOSTON, MA 02116

Photo (3"x3" or 3"x5", black and white) Indicate address of property on back of photo.
Staple to left side of form.

Sketch Map: Draw map showing property's location in relation to nearest cross streets and/or geographical features. Indicate all buildings between inventoried property and nearest intersection(s).
Indicate north

(SEE ATTACHED MAP)

UTM REFERENCE 19.320200, 4690400

USGS QUADRANGLE NEWTON, MASS.

SCALE 1:25,000

AREA	FORM NO.
188	N-37

Newton, Mass. MRA
Town Newton (Newton Corner)

Address 27 Sargent Street

Historic Name Charles Haskell House

Use: Present dwelling

Original dwelling

DESCRIPTION

Date 1879

Source Engineering Dept Water Records

Style High Victorian Gothic

Architect unknown

Exterior Wall Fabric clapboard

Outbuildings none

Major Alterations (with dates) _____

none

Condition Excellent

Moved no Date _____

Acreage 30,100 sq. ft. *less than one acre*

Setting suburban residential

Recorded by Arch. Pres. Assocs.

Organization Historic Newton, Inc.

Date 5/83; rev. by H. White 3/86

NATIONAL REGISTER CRITERIA STATEMENT (if applicable)

The Charles Haskell House is a rare example of the Gothic Revival style in Newton Corner, and is the city's finest high-styled version of the style; it therefore meets Criterion C of the National Register of Historic Places.

ARCHITECTURAL SIGNIFICANCE Describe important architectural features and evaluate in terms of other buildings within the community.

Although it was essentially a suburban style, Gothic Revival houses were rare in Newton Corner. This house is one of very few local examples, and displays abundant "inchboard finery". The newly-invented scroll saw, a machine similar to the modern jigsaw, allowed local sawmills and carpentry shops to produce thousands of board feet of "gingerbread trim." Much of the wooden detailing of the Haskell house is medieval in inspiration, including the pointed arches formed by the porch balusters. A facade gable is decorated with a three-part trefoil design of applied wood, a medieval representation of the religious trinity.

The Haskell residence is a two and one-half structure based on a square plan with a steeply-pitched hip roof. The roofline is punctuated by wall dormers of steep pitch. A two-sided porch is set beneath a

HISTORICAL SIGNIFICANCE Explain the role owners played in local or state history and how the building relates to the development of the community.

The Haskell Residence was built on land that was once part of a large estate bounded by Sargent, Park, Franklin and Waverley Streets. The land was owned by George C. Lord, who had made his fortune in the shipping and railroad enterprises and in the insurance business. After 1875 Lord began to sell off his extensive landholdings near the newly fashionable Kenrick Park. Lots were purchased by wealthy Boston merchants and professionals, such as Charles Haskell, a leather dealer.

BIBLIOGRAPHY and/or REFERENCES

Atlases: 1907 Mary R. Haskell; 1895-Charles Haskell; 1886-C.A. Haskell; 1875-land of George Lord.

Directory: 1895 Charles Haskell, leather, Boston.

INVENTORY FORM CONTINUATION SHEET

MASSACHUSETTS HISTORICAL COMMISSION
Office of the Secretary, Boston

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Community: Newton(Newton Corner)	Form No: N-37
Property Name: Haskell House	

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

Architectural Significance:

cantilevered roof with standing seams. A gabled tower is offset to the right of the entrance. The double entrance doors have upper panels of stained glass, and glazed arched transoms. Other notable features of the Haskell house include the elaborate porte-cochere and the overall encrustation of applied Gothic wooden trim.

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**United States Department of the Interior
National Park Service**

**National Register of Historic Places
Inventory—Nomination Form**

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date entered

Continuation sheet

Item number

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Multiple Resource Area
Thematic Group

Name Newton MRA
State Middlesex County, MA

Nomination/Type of Review

Date/Signature

51. Gunderson, Jos ., House

Entered in the *for* Keeper
National Register

Attest

Delores Byers 9/4/86

52. Harbach, John, House

Entered in the *for* Keeper
National Register

Attest

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53. Harding House--Walker
Missionary Home

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National Register

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54. Haskell, Charles, House

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National Register

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55. House at 1008 Beacon St.

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Attest

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56. House at 102 Staniford Street

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57. House at 107 Waban Hill Road

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58. House at 115--117 Jewett
Street

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59. House at 15 Davis Avenue

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60. House at 152 Suffolk Road

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NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES
EVALUATION/RETURN SHEET

Haskell, Charles, House (Newton MRA)
Middlesex County
MASSACHUSETTS

Working No. JUL 23 1986
Fed. Reg. Date: _____
Date Due: 8/21/86 - 9/6/86 12/31/87
Action: ☒ ACCEPT ☐ RETURN ☐ REJECT
Federal Agency: _____

Entered in the
National Register

- ☐ resubmission
☐ nomination by person or local government
☐ owner objection
☐ appeal

Substantive Review: ☐ sample ☐ request ☐ appeal ☐ NR decision

Reviewer's comments:

Recom./Criteria _____
Reviewer _____
Discipline _____
Date _____
_____ see continuation sheet

Nomination returned for: ☐ technical corrections cited below
☐ substantive reasons discussed below

1. Name

2. Location

3. Classification

Category	Ownership	Status	Present Use
	Public Acquisition	Accessible	

4. Owner of Property

5. Location of Legal Description

6. Representation in Existing Surveys

Has this property been determined eligible? ☐ yes ☐ no

7. Description

Condition

- | | |
|------------------------------------|---------------------------------------|
| ☐ excellent | ☐ deteriorated |
| ☐ good | ☐ ruins |
| ☐ fair | ☐ unexposed |

Check one

- ☐ unaltered
☐ altered

Check one

- ☐ original site
☐ moved date _____

Describe the present and original (if known) physical appearance

- ☐ summary paragraph
☐ completeness
☐ clarity
☐ alterations/integrity
☐ dates
☐ boundary selection

8. 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

9. Major Bibliographical References

10. Geographical Data

Acreage of nominated property _____

Quadrangle name _____

UTM References _____

Verbal boundary description and justification _____

11. Form Prepared By

12. State Historic Preservation Officer Certification

The evaluated significance of this property within the state is:

_____ national _____ state _____ local

State Historic Preservation Officer signature

title _____ date _____

13. Other

- ☐ Maps
- ☐ Photographs
- ☐ Other

Questions concerning this nomination may be directed to _____

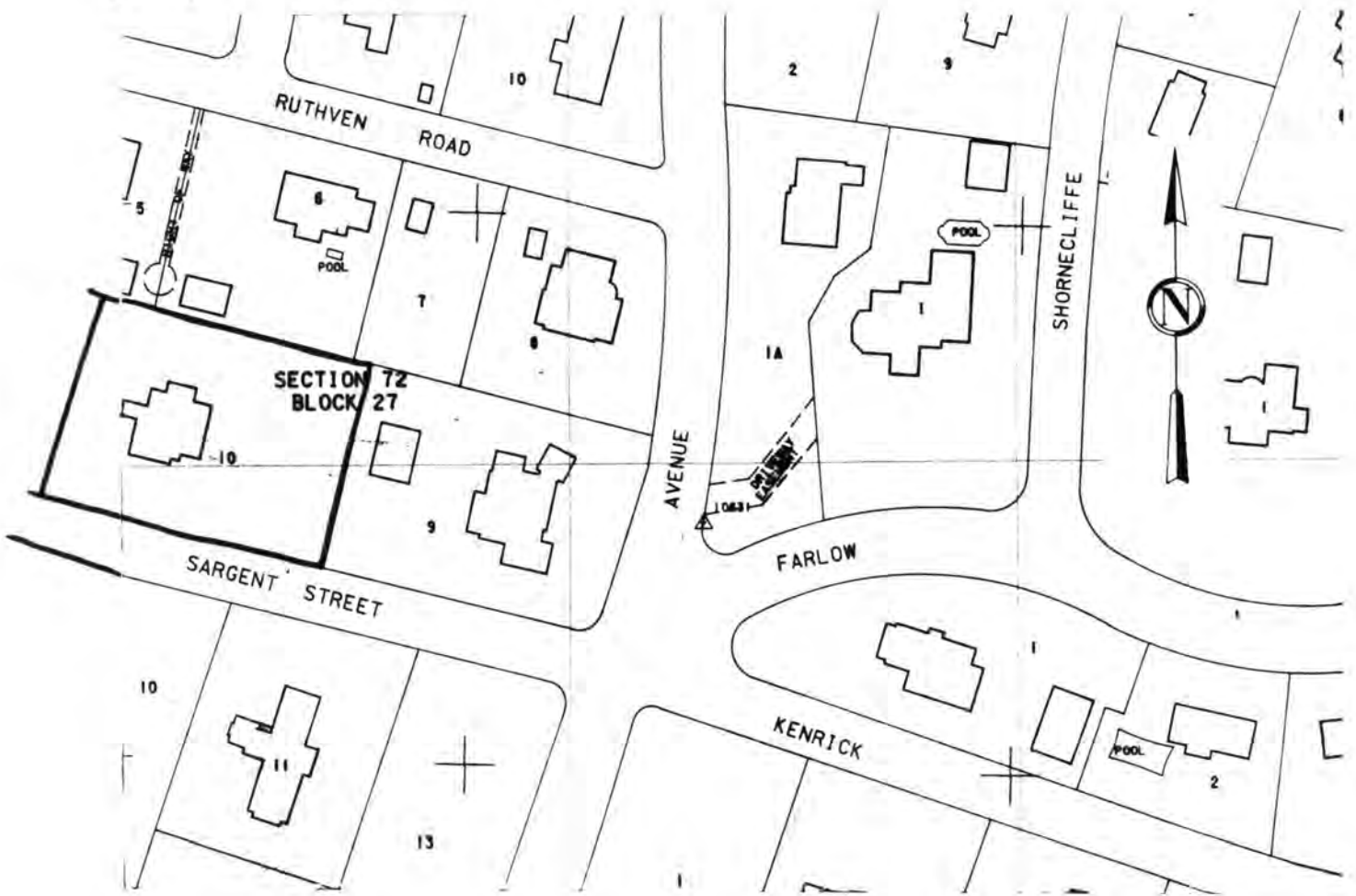
Signed _____ Date _____ Phone: _____



Haskell, Charles, Heise

Newton, Mass. MRA

27 Sargent St, Newton Corner
- I-5 (28)



City of Newton Assessor's Maps. Sheet 48
 Metric Series. 1979
 Scale: UTM grid line interval = 100 meters (328 feet)

Newton, Mass. M.R.A.
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