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FORM B - BUILDING

MASSACHUSETTS HISTORICAL COMMISSION
Office of the Secretary, State House, Boston

In Area no.

Form no.

116-I

2. Photo (3x3" or 3x5")
Staple to left side of form
Photo number _____

Roll 29,

4. Map. Draw sketch of building location
in relation to nearest cross streets and
other buildings. Indicate north.

1. Town Worcester
Address 12 George Street
Name Tilley Raymond House
Present use residential
Present owner Florence T. Penix
3. Description:
Date 1847
Source Albert Waite Papers
Style Greek Revival
Architect unknown
Exterior wall fabric clapboard
Outbuildings (describe) none
Other features side-hall plan,
pedimented gable, Doric porch
shed dormers 20th cent.
Altered front doors Date ca. 1875
Moved _____ Date _____
5. Lot size: Assessors' Book, 2, p. 28
Lot 13 13,302 sq.ft.
One acre or less x Over one acre _____
Approximate frontage 70'
Approximate distance of building from street
15'
R. Moore
6. Recorded by ed. B.R. Pfeiffer
Organization Worc. Heritage Pres. Soc.
Date November 1977

UTM:
19/268900/4683150

(over)

7. Original owner (if known) Tilley Raymond
Original use residence
Subsequent uses (if any) and dates apartments (1898 to present)

8. Themes (check as many as applicable)

Aboriginal	☐	Conservation	☐	Recreation	☐
Agricultural	☐	Education	☐	Religion	☐
Architectural	☒	Exploration/ settlement	☐	Science/ invention	☐
The Arts	☐	Industry	☐	Social/ humanitarian	☐
Commerce	☐	Military	☐	Transportation	☐
Communication	☐	Political	☐		
Community development	☒				

9. Historical significance (include explanation of themes checked above)

The Tilley Raymond House is an excellent example of the once popular side-hall type of Greek Revival style house. The building is two-and-one-half stories high, built on a foundation of rock-faced granite. The facade is three bays wide with corner pilasters and a pedimented gable. Across the first storey of the facade is a Doric porch, behind which the landing is covered with matched boarding. The entry contains paired replacement doors (ca.1875); sash throughout is original 6/6 except for the facade first storey where original over-sized windows contain 6/9 sash.

A native of Royalston, Massachusetts, Tilley Raymond (b. 1812) came to Worcester in 1834 and worked locally as a carpenter. By the 1840s Raymond had entered into partnership with Horatio Tower (see Form 130-D) as Tower & Raymond, Worcester's most active builders of the 1840s and 1850s. Among the most well-known buildings constructed by the firm are the Old Central Church (demolished) and Mechanics' Hall. In addition to working in Worcester, Raymond is known to have been in California in 1851, perhaps to take advantage of the building boom which followed the gold rush. After Raymond's death #12 George Street was occupied by his son Edward, who had served in the Civil War and later became Chief of Police in Worcester and Clerk of Worcester's Central District Court. The younger Raymond studied law with Senator George Hoar of Worcester and was admitted to the bar in 1880. In 1898 the house was sold to Henry E. Whitcomb who converted it to apartments.

10. Bibliography and/or references (such as local histories, deeds, assessor's records, early maps, etc.)

Albert Waite Papers, Box 7.

Property Worcester Multiple Resource Area (Partial Inventory)

State MA (Worcester) Working Number 8.30.79.2060

TECHNICAL

CONTROL

Photos 383 + 13
Maps 2, 63

Excellent multiple resource nomination for the entire city of Worcester. Both the general description & statement of significance & the individual inventory sheets are well done. Each type of property included is well justified & reasons are listed for not including others at this time (e.g. 3-deckers). ^{Historian} Call/Accept
^{Lightner} 10.30.79
opposition is high. Minor problems with some properties are listed on attached sheets.
Concur with Bruce's comments on 102-L-3, 116-CBD-11, 117-E, and 130-CBD-50 and 44. Integrity and/or boundaries need to be addressed specifically on individual forms. ^{Architectural Historian} DOUBLE

ARCHEOLOGIST

116-CBD-11 - Destroyed, cannot be listed.
130-CBD-44 - I am not convinced this has lost integrity. See attached.
102-L-3 - Period of significance and categorization of 1800s need to be discussed with State.

With 3 exceptions all properties appear to me to meet the criteria and the forms are adequate. ~~Both~~ ^{Both} technically and to determine significance. Although some of the forms did not contain strong statements of significance the resource categories were thoroughly discussed in the body of the nomination; therefore significance was established. VBDs were not necessary because

OTHER

Accepted
AK/2/24/80
2/28/80

of the scale maps and clearly delineated boundaries. ~~ALREADY WAS MISSING~~
on some properties but ~~is~~ ^{is} now included after the 2/11/80 corrections.

HAER

The only properties that I do not recommend listing are

Inventory _____

✓ 116-CBD-13 - DESTROYED BY FIRE MD - 116 CBD-11

Review _____

130-CBD-44 - DOES NOT RETAIN INTEGRITY FOR INDIVIDUAL ELIGIBILITY

✓ 102-L-3 I ~~am~~ ^{am} not convinced about boundaries

REVIEW UNIT CHIEF

BUT BELIEVE THEY COULD BE OK. ~~BASED~~

ON ADDITIONAL DOCUMENTATION SUBMITTED - I DEFER JUDGEMENT.

Recommend

Listing all properties ~~except~~ ^{now} these 3. Return 116-CBD-11 to State (not eligible); ~~to discuss further~~ ^{to discuss further} w/NR staff + State. ^{DOUBLE} 3/5/80

BRANCH CHIEF 3/3/80

Return 102-L-3 to State for correction;

HOLD 130-CBD-44 for info from State

Staff conference 3/5/80 - agreed to action as noted below:

KEEPER

Accept with exception of 116-CBD-11 (official notification of fire & clean from State), 102-L-3 (returning to State for revision - also returning 116-CBD-11) and 130-CBD-44 (listing from State)

Soldner
3/5/80

National Register Write-up _____

Send-back _____

Entered _____

MAR 5 1980

Federal Register Entry 2.3.81

Re-submit _____



by Berkeley



JUN 1979

116 - I ⁸⁰ AUG 1979

Raymond T. Hoy, Houe

12 George St.

Worcester, MA

West & South
elevations

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

Multiple Property Cover Sheet Reference Number: 64000304