

HISTORIC NAME: Pennie, Daniel, House

COUNTY: Pope

Villard vic

CURRENT NAME:

CITY/TWP.: Leven Township

LEGAL DESC.: That part of Govt. Lot 6, Sec. 12, T126, R37, as follows: Beginning at the center point of the SE $\frac{1}{4}$, SW $\frac{1}{4}$, Sec. 12, T126 R37; thence west to the shoreline of Lake Leven; thence north along shoreline 200 feet; thence east to the west boundary of the right of way of Co. Hwy. 27; thence south along said right of way to POB.

ADDRESS: County Highway 27

CLASSIFICATION:	CONDITION:	SIGNIFICANCE:	THEME/S:
Building <u>X</u>	Excellent _____	Local <u>X</u>	Primary <u>Settlement</u>
Structure _____	Good <u>X</u>	State _____	Secondary _____
Object _____	Fair _____	National _____	Others <u>(Construction</u>
District _____	Deteriorated _____		<u>technology)</u>

OPEN TO THE PUBLIC: Yes _____ No X Restricted _____

PRESENT USE:

VISIBLE FROM THE ROAD: Yes X No _____

Residence

OCCUPIED: Yes X No _____

DATE CONSTRUCTED: c. 1870s-80s

ORIGINAL USE:

Residence

ORIGINAL OWNER: Daniel Pennie

ARCHITECT/BUILDER:

Daniel Pennie

OWNER'S NAME AND ADDRESS: Dorothy Jenson
(James Jenson)
Villard, MN 56385

ACREAGE: Less than one acre X

LOCAL CONTACT/ORG.: Pope County Historical Society,
Highway 104 South, Glenwood, MN 56334

UTM REFERENCE:

VILLARD, MN QUAD
15-322890-5066600

FORM PREPARED BY: Dennis Gimmetad

DATE: September 1980

DESCRIPTION:

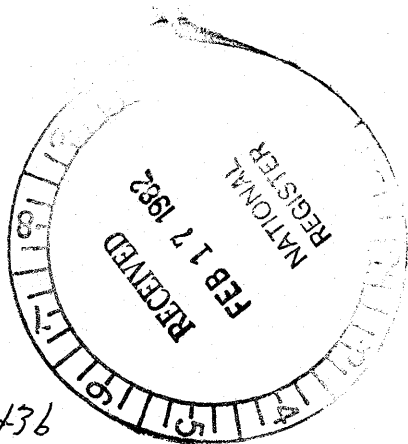
The Daniel Pennie House is located on the east shore of Lake Leven in Leven Township, Pope County.

The house is a one-and-one-half story L-shaped structure, with a gable roof. The walls are of grout construction, utilizing fieldstone and cement, and are scored to imitate random ashlar stone. The water table and window sills are of brick. At the center of the "L" is a two-story tower with an intersecting gable roof, and gabled dormers pierce the main roof on both the east and west sides of the northern section. Windows are rectangular and segmentally arched, with two-over-two sash. (A few sash in the northern section of the building have been replaced.) The primary decorative feature of the house is a wooden dentillated belt course which circumvents the building between the first and second stories. Chimneys pierce the roof ridge at a central position on the south gable and at the north end. There are one-story porches on the west facade and adjacent to the tower area.

According to the current owner, the interior of the building has been gutted by fire twice, but the exterior, although somewhat deteriorated, has remained in stable structural condition. Repair of the masonry walls is being carried out with care to duplicate the original surface scoring.

SIGNIFICANCE:

The Daniel Pennie House is significant for its association with one of Pope County's most prominent early settlers, and for its locally distinctive construction. Daniel Pennie was born in Scotland in the early 1830s, and immigrated to the United States about 1850, living in Connecticut, Illinois, Wisconsin, and at Waite Park in Minnesota before coming to Pope County in 1865. He homesteaded land in what was to become Section 12 of Leven Township. Pennie was one of the organizers of Pope County the following year; local tradition indicates that he carried the county records from the short-lived first county seat at Stockholm to Glenwood "in a sack". Pennie named Lake Leven and Leven Township after Loch Leven, Scotland, and held a number of local and county offices. Professionally, he practiced stone masonry. The first dwellings of the farm were of log; the present stone-and-concrete grout house replaced a large towered log house sometime during the 1870s or 1880s. Its grout construction is rare in the state and especially unique in the Pope County area, where the vast majority of houses are of frame construction.



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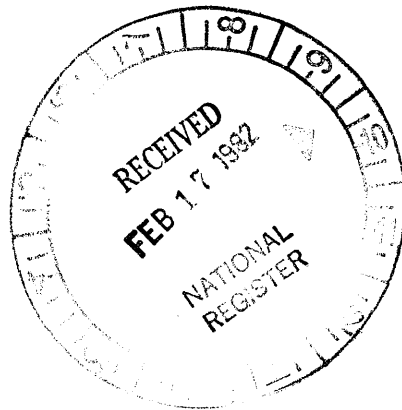
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ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

for Keeper Melvin Lynn
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**Note: These changes apply to
Pennie, Daniel, House in Pope
County, Minnesota.**

REFERENCE NUMBER: 82003003

STATE: MINNESOTA

COUNTY: Pope

RESOURCE NAME (HISTORIC):

CITY:

VICINITY OF: Villard

ADDRESS: Co. Hwy. 27

CERTIFICATION DATE:

REMOVED DATE:

COMMENTS:

Nina M. Archabal

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State Historic Preservation Officer

JUN 17 1988

Date