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AREA

FORM NO.

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MASSACHUSETTS HISTORICAL COMMISSION
80 BOYLSTON STREET
BOSTON, MA 02116

(Winchester, Mass. M.R.A.)

Town WINCHESTER

Address 103-105 Cambridge Street

Historic Name Patience & Sarah Gardner
House

Use: Present dwelling

Original dwelling

DESCRIPTION

Date circa 1825

Source Simond's list

Style Late Federal

Architect anonymous

Exterior Wall Fabric clapboard

Outbuildings barn/c

Major Alterations (with dates) windows of
lower story enlarged to full-length,
sash replacement, dates unknown
Condition Good

Moved no Date _____

Acreage .66 acre 17-02-08

Setting Suburban residential along
early road to Cambridge.

Recorded by Bettina Cooper

Organization Winchester Historical Com

Date 8/78; 10/87 revised by H. White

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).



UTM REFERENCE 19.32990.47 01160

USGS QUADRANGLE LEXINGTON, MASS

SCALE 1:25,000

NATIONAL REGISTER CRITERIA STATEMENT (if applicable)

The Patience & Sarah Gardner House is an important local example of the late Federal style and is associated with the Gardner family, whose members were among Winchester's earliest settlers. The Patience & Sarah Gardner House therefore meets Criteria A and C of the National Register of Historic Places.

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

The Patience & Sarah Gardner House is a vernacular example of the Federal style, a building type associated with the rural economy of Winchester during the early years of the nineteenth century. All of the available evidence supports a construction date between 1825 and 1835. This house is thought to have been built on the foundation of an earlier dwelling, built by Richard Gardner. Richard Gardner, an ancestor of Patience and Sarah, bought 300 acres from Increase Nowell in 1659.

The present house is a two and one-half story, rectangular plan dwelling with a gable roof of low pitch. A single rear wall chimney offset to the right survives. The five-bay facade organization consists of paired outer windows, with the center window aligned with the entrance. The slender entrance door reflects earlier Georgian period

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

A house in this location owned by Patience Gardner appears on the 1831 map of Winchester, in the part of town that was formerly included in Medford. Patience and Sarah Gardner acquired the property in 1825 from Benjamin Wyman, a relative (husband?) of their sister Lucy Gardner Wymna. The sisters lived here until their deaths in 1864 and 1857.

In 1868 Abijah Thompson, bought the Gardner land, and sold or mortgaged several lots of the original property.

Thompson sold the property in 1872 to George Rand and Frank Weston, who made a contract to "improve" the land. They in turn sold it to John Magee in 1874.

Joseph Tyler bought the house and land in 1883. Tyler was a member of the Winchester School Committee and Town Hall Committee.

The house has been erroneously called the "1776 House".

Three hundred acres of land surrounding the Gardner house were originally granted to Increase Nowell. He never built upon it, and in 1659 it was bought by Richard Gardner, whose descendants lived on parts of it for almost 200 years. With the death of Richard Gardner, the gradual dispersion of his acreage began. One of his four sons, John, went to Harvard, and later became the minister of Stow. John's son Henry was Treasurer of the Commonwealth during the Revolution. Henry's son, Henry J. Gardner, was a Governor of Massachusetts.

BIBLIOGRAPHY and/or REFERENCES

Maps

Deeds

History of Winchester, by H. Chapman.

Kendall Scrapbook #37, Winchester Archival Center

INVENTORY FORM CONTINUATION SHEET

MASSACHUSETTS HISTORICAL COMMISSION
Office of the Secretary, Boston

Community: Winchester	Form No: 23
Property Name: Patience & Sarah Gardner House	

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

ARCHITECTURAL SIGNIFICANCE:

proportions, and is set beneath a lintel which is Greek Revival in form and scale. A two-story gable-roofed ell is joined to the main block of the house at a right angle on the north elevation.

HISTORICAL SIGNIFICANCE:

Two other early houses associated with the Gardner family stand nearby on Gardner Place: the Gardner-Swan House (circa 1764, #22) and the Gardner Swan ell (date unknown, #374).

1. Sarah & Patience Gardner 1825-1864
2. Abijah Thompson 1864-1872
3. Rand & Weston 1872-1874
4. John & Eleanor Magee 1874-1883
5. Joseph Tyler 1883-1893
6. George & Abby Bartlett 1893-1900
7. Bertha Fiske Bradford 1901-1944
8. Marjorie M. Hakanson 1946-1977

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United States Department of the Interior
National Park Service

National Register of Historic Places
Continuation Sheet

Section number _____ Page _____

Multiple Resource Area
Thematic Group

Name Winchester MRA
State Middlesex County, MASSACHUSETTS

Nomination/Type of Review

Date/Signature

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| 11. | Cole House | Entered in the
National Register | for Keeper <u><i>Delores Byers</i></u> <u>7/5/89</u> |
| | | | Attest _____ |
| 12. | DeRochmont House | Entered in the
National Register | for Keeper <u><i>Delores Byers</i></u> <u>7/5/89</u> |
| | | | Attest _____ |
| 13. | Dike--Orne House | Entered in the
National Register | for Keeper <u><i>Delores Byers</i></u> <u>7/5/89</u> |
| | | | Attest _____ |
| 14. | Dwight, Edmund, House | Entered in the
National Register | for Keeper <u><i>Delores Byers</i></u> <u>7/5/89</u> |
| | | | Attest _____ |
| 15. | Elder, Samuel, House | Entered in the
National Register | for Keeper <u><i>Delores Byers</i></u> <u>9/5/89</u> |
| | | | Attest _____ |
| 16. | Everett Avenue--Sheffield
Road Historic District | Entered in the
National Register
Substantive Review | for Keeper <u><i>Beth J. Sarge</i></u> <u>7-5-89</u> |
| | | | Attest _____ |
| 17. | Firth--Glengarry Historic District | Entered in the
National Register | for Keeper <u><i>Delores Byers</i></u> <u>7/5/89</u> |
| | | | Attest _____ |
| 18. | Gardner, Edward, House | Substantive Review | for Keeper <u><i>Beth J. Sarge</i></u> <u>7-5-89</u> |
| | | | Attest _____ |
| 19. | Gardner, Patience and Sarah, House | Entered in the
National Register | for Keeper <u><i>Delores Byers</i></u> <u>7/5/89</u> |
| | | | Attest _____ |
| 20. | Ginn Carriage House | Entered in the
National Register | for Keeper <u><i>Delores Byers</i></u> <u>7/5/89</u> |
| | | | Attest _____ |

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
NATIONAL PARK SERVICE

NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES
EVALUATION/RETURN SHEET

REQUESTED ACTION: NOMINATION

PROPERTY NAME: Gardner, Patience and Sarah, House

MULTIPLE NAME: Winchester MRA

STATE & COUNTY: MASSACHUSETTS, Middlesex

DATE RECEIVED: 5/22/89 DATE OF PENDING LIST: 6/06/89
DATE OF 16TH DAY: 6/22/89 DATE OF 45TH DAY: 7/06/89
DATE OF WEEKLY LIST:

REFERENCE NUMBER: 89000608

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 7/5/89 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
 UTM's boundary justification

ACCOMPANYING DOCUMENTATION/PRESENTATION

sketch maps USGS maps photographs presentation

OTHER COMMENTS

Questions concerning this nomination may be directed to

_____ Phone _____

Signed _____

Date _____



Patience and Sarah Gardner House

103-105 Cambridge St. 1/88

Winchester, Ma. MRA

MHC Inv. # 23

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

Multiple Property Cover Sheet Reference Number: 64000303