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NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES INVENTORY -- NOMINATION FORM

SEE INSTRUCTIONS IN HOW TO COMPLETE NATIONAL REGISTER FORMS
TYPE ALL ENTRIES -- COMPLETE APPLICABLE SECTIONS

1 NAME

HISTORIC Capt. S. C. Blanchard House
AND/OR COMMON

LOCATION

STREET & NUMBER
46 Main Street

NOT FOR PUBLICATION
CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

CITY, TOWN
Yarmouth

VICINITY OF

1st

STATE
Maine

CODE
23

COUNTY
Cumberland

CODE
005

CLASSIFICATION

CATEGORY	OWNERSHIP	STATUS	PRESENT USE
<input type="checkbox"/> DISTRICT	<input type="checkbox"/> PUBLIC	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> OCCUPIED	<input type="checkbox"/> AGRICULTURE
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> BUILDING(S)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> PRIVATE	<input type="checkbox"/> UNOCCUPIED	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMERCIAL
<input type="checkbox"/> STRUCTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> BOTH	<input type="checkbox"/> WORK IN PROGRESS	<input type="checkbox"/> EDUCATIONAL
<input type="checkbox"/> SITE	PUBLIC ACQUISITION	ACCESSIBLE	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> PRIVATE RESIDENCE
<input type="checkbox"/> OBJECT	<input type="checkbox"/> IN PROCESS	<input type="checkbox"/> YES: RESTRICTED	<input type="checkbox"/> ENTERTAINMENT
	<input type="checkbox"/> BEING CONSIDERED	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> YES: UNRESTRICTED	<input type="checkbox"/> GOVERNMENT
		<input type="checkbox"/> NO	<input type="checkbox"/> INDUSTRIAL
			<input type="checkbox"/> MILITARY
			<input type="checkbox"/> MUSEUM
			<input type="checkbox"/> PARK
			<input type="checkbox"/> RELIGIOUS
			<input type="checkbox"/> SCIENTIFIC
			<input type="checkbox"/> TRANSPORTATION
			<input type="checkbox"/> OTHER:

OWNER OF PROPERTY

NAME
Arthur F. & Phyllis A. McEvoy

STREET & NUMBER
46 Main Street

CITY, TOWN
Yarmouth

VICINITY OF

STATE
Maine

LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION

COURTHOUSE,
REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC. Cumberland County Registry of Deeds

STREET & NUMBER

CITY, TOWN
Portland,

STATE
Maine

6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE
Yarmouth Historic Survey

DATE
1972

FEDERAL STATE COUNTY LOCAL

DEPOSITORY FOR
SURVEY RECORDS
Maine Historic Preservation Commission

CITY, TOWN
Augusta,

STATE
Maine

7 DESCRIPTION

CONDITION		CHECK ONE	CHECK ONE
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> EXCELLENT	<input type="checkbox"/> DETERIORATED	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> UNALTERED	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ORIGINAL SITE
<input type="checkbox"/> GOOD	<input type="checkbox"/> RUINS	<input type="checkbox"/> ALTERED	<input type="checkbox"/> MOVED DATE _____
<input type="checkbox"/> FAIR	<input type="checkbox"/> UNEXPOSED		

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

The Captain S. C. Blanchard House of Yarmouth, designed by the Portland architect Charles A. Alexander and built in 1855, is a richly detailed and well-preserved example of Italianate style domestic architecture. The house is of frame construction, with hipped roof, polygonal cupola, three brick chimneys, clapboard siding, and granite foundation.

The facade faces south, and is two bays wide. The first-story entrance is contained in a rectangular projection, and is covered by a one-story porch. This porch is supported by slender posts with brackets and has a denticulated cornice. Second floor fenestration here, as on other sides is 6/6, flanked by external louvered shutters and surmounted by arched panels.

The west side of the house, which faces the street, is also two bays wide. Here the first floor features two bay windows. These bays are 5-sided, and are capped by bracketed cornices. The north wall has a small rectangular projection at the first-story level.

A rectangular 2-story ell extends eastward from the east wall, with an additional extension beyond which links the house with a carriage-house.

House, ell, and carriage-house all feature bracketed cornices and channelled pilasters. The Blanchard House is an intact and exceptional example of the Italianate style in all of its components.

8 SIGNIFICANCE

PERIOD	AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE -- CHECK AND JUSTIFY BELOW			
<input type="checkbox"/> PREHISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-PREHISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNITY PLANNING	<input type="checkbox"/> LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> RELIGION
<input type="checkbox"/> 1400-1499	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-HISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> CONSERVATION	<input type="checkbox"/> LAW	<input type="checkbox"/> SCIENCE
<input type="checkbox"/> 1500-1599	<input type="checkbox"/> AGRICULTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> ECONOMICS	<input type="checkbox"/> LITERATURE	<input type="checkbox"/> SCULPTURE
<input type="checkbox"/> 1600-1699	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ARCHITECTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> EDUCATION	<input type="checkbox"/> MILITARY	<input type="checkbox"/> SOCIAL/HUMANITARIAN
<input type="checkbox"/> 1700-1799	<input type="checkbox"/> ART	<input type="checkbox"/> ENGINEERING	<input type="checkbox"/> MUSIC	<input type="checkbox"/> THEATER
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1800-1899	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMERCE	<input type="checkbox"/> EXPLORATION/SETTLEMENT	<input type="checkbox"/> PHILOSOPHY	<input type="checkbox"/> TRANSPORTATION
<input type="checkbox"/> 1900-	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNICATIONS	<input type="checkbox"/> INDUSTRY	<input type="checkbox"/> POLITICS/GOVERNMENT	<input type="checkbox"/> OTHER (SPECIFY)
		<input type="checkbox"/> INVENTION		

SPECIFIC DATES

1855

~~XXXXXXXX~~ ARCHITECT

Charles A. Alexander

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

The Blanchard House, one of the most elaborate and finely detailed Italianate houses on the Maine coast, bespeaks both the position and success of its first owner and the skill of its designer, Charles A. Alexander.

Born in Yarmouth in 1782, Capt. Sylvanus Blanchard followed the sea for many years, and was one of the most successful seacaptains in a state famous for producing men of this profession. In later years, desiring to follow other pursuits, he turned his attention to shipbuilding in Yarmouth and the firm of Blanchard Brothers continued until 1893. Among noted vessels constructed under his supervision were: "Admiral," "Commodore," "S. C. Blanchard," "Pacific," "Star," and "Detroit." He became one of the most respected and influential citizens in Yarmouth. He lived to enjoy his fine house only four years, death occurring in 1859.

Charles A. Alexander, variously of Portland, Maine, New York, and Chicago, was an architect of undoubted talent whose output was prolific. Among his more noted commissions were the Falmouth Hotel and the Preble House in Portland, and the DeWitt Hotel in Lewiston, all large and impressive hostelryes; the J. B. Brown House and the Goddard Mansion, also in the Portland vicinity, and the Chestnut Street Methodist Church(N. R. 10/20/77).

9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

Plummer, E. C., Reminiscences of a Yarmouth Schoolboy. Portland, 1926.
 Rowe, W. H., Ancient North Yarmouth and Yarmouth. Boston, 1937

10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY 1/2

UTM REFERENCES

A

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ZONE		EASTING				NORTHING								

B

ZONE		EASTING				NORTHING							

VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

Plat U-12, Lot 48

LIST ALL STATES AND COUNTIES FOR PROPERTIES OVERLAPPING STATE OR COUNTY BOUNDARIES

STATE	CODE	COUNTY	CODE

11 FORM PREPARED BY

NAME / TITLE

Frank A. Beard, Historian/Robert L. Bradley, Architectural Historian

ORGANIZATION

Maine Historic Preservation Commission

DATE

January, 1979

STREET & NUMBER

242 State Street

TELEPHONE

207/289-2133

CITY OR TOWN

Augusta,

STATE

Maine

12 STATE HISTORIC PRESERVATION OFFICER CERTIFICATION

THE EVALUATED SIGNIFICANCE OF THIS PROPERTY WITHIN THE STATE IS:

NATIONAL

STATE

LOCAL

As the designated State Historic Preservation Officer for the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966 (Public Law 89-665), I hereby nominate this property for inclusion in the National Register and certify that it has been evaluated according to the criteria and procedures set forth by the National Park Service.

STATE HISTORIC PRESERVATION OFFICER SIGNATURE

Earle S. Feltner

TITLE

S.H.P.O.

DATE

2/27/79

FOR NPS USE ONLY

I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THIS PROPERTY IS INCLUDED IN THE NATIONAL REGISTER

DIRECTOR, OFFICE OF ARCHITECTURE AND HISTORIC PRESERVATION

DATE 5-7-79

ATTEST:

Thomas M. Dwyer
 KEEPER OF THE NATIONAL REGISTER

KEEPER OF THE NATIONAL REGISTER

DATE 5/7/79