

HISTORIC RESOURCES INVENTORY
BUILDING AND STRUCTURES
 HIST-6 NEW 5/77

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STATE OF CONNECTICUT
CONNECTICUT HISTORICAL COMMISSION
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105/32/34//

| FOR OFFICE USE ONLY | |
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| Town No.: | Site No.: |
| UTM | |
| QUAD: | |
| DISTRICT | IF NR. SPECIFY |
| <input type="checkbox"/> S <input type="checkbox"/> NR | <input type="checkbox"/> Actual <input type="checkbox"/> Potential |

IDENTIFICATION

DESCRIPTION

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| 1. BUILDING NAME (Common) | | (Historic) | |
| THOMPSON | | DEACON JESSE BOLLES HOUSE | |
| 2. TOWN CITY | VILLAGE | COUNTY | |
| THOMPSON | THOMPSON | WINDHAM | |
| 3. STREET AND NUMBER (and/or location) | | | |
| 984 QUADDICK ROAD | | (40 QUADDICK RO.) | 105/32-34 |
| 4. OWNER(S) | | | |
| HALLIE BENNETT, HATTIE D., BOX 138, THOMPSON, CT 06277 | | <input type="checkbox"/> Public | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Private |
| 5. USE (Present) | | | |
| Residence | | (Historic) Residence | |
| 6. ACCESSIBILITY TO PUBLIC: | | | |
| EXTERIOR VISIBLE FROM PUBLIC ROAD | INTERIOR ACCESSIBLE | IF YES, EXPLAIN | |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No | <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No | | |
| 7. STYLE OF BUILDING | | | DATE OF CONSTRUCTION |
| Federal | | | c. 1815 |
| 8. MATERIAL(S) (Indicate use or location when appropriate) | | | |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Clapboard | <input type="checkbox"/> Asbestos Siding | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Chimney Brick Endwalls | <input type="checkbox"/> Other (Specify) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Wood Shingle | <input type="checkbox"/> Asphalt Siding | <input type="checkbox"/> Fieldstone | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Board & Batten | <input type="checkbox"/> Stucco | <input type="checkbox"/> Cobblestone | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Aluminum Siding | <input type="checkbox"/> Concrete Type: | <input type="checkbox"/> Cut stone Type: | |
| 9. STRUCTURAL SYSTEM | | | |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Wood frame | <input type="checkbox"/> Post and beam | <input type="checkbox"/> balloon | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Load bearing masonry | <input type="checkbox"/> Structural iron or steel | | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Other (Specify) | | | |
| 10. ROOF (Type) | | | |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Gable | <input type="checkbox"/> Flat | <input type="checkbox"/> Mansard | <input type="checkbox"/> Monitor |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Gambrel | <input type="checkbox"/> Shed | <input type="checkbox"/> Hip | <input type="checkbox"/> Round |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Wood Shingle | <input type="checkbox"/> Roll Asphalt | <input type="checkbox"/> Tin | <input type="checkbox"/> Slate |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Asphalt shingle | <input type="checkbox"/> Built up | <input type="checkbox"/> Tile | <input type="checkbox"/> Other (Specify) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Gable end to the street | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Ridge parallel to the street | | |
| 11. NUMBER OF STORIES | | APPROXIMATE DIMENSIONS | |
| 2 1/2 | | 39' X 30' | |
| 12. CONDITION (Structural) | | | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Excellent | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Good | <input type="checkbox"/> Fair | <input type="checkbox"/> Deteriorated |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Excellent | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Good | <input type="checkbox"/> Fair | <input type="checkbox"/> Deteriorated |
| 13. INTEGRITY (Location) | | | |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> On original site | <input type="checkbox"/> Moved | WHEN? | (Alterations) |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes | <input type="checkbox"/> No | IF YES, EXPLAIN | |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes | <input type="checkbox"/> No | modern storm sash | |
| 14. RELATED OUTBUILDINGS OR LANDSCAPE FEATURES | | | |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Barn | <input type="checkbox"/> Shed | <input type="checkbox"/> Garage | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other landscape features or buildings (Specify) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Carriage house | <input type="checkbox"/> Shop | <input type="checkbox"/> Garden | on knoll |
| 15. SURROUNDING ENVIRONMENT | | | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Open land | <input type="checkbox"/> Wood-land | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Residential | <input type="checkbox"/> Scattered buildings visible from site |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Commercial | <input type="checkbox"/> Indus-trial | <input type="checkbox"/> Rural | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> High building density |
| 16. INTERRELATIONSHIP OF BUILDING AND SURROUNDINGS | | | |
| On Thompson Hill, in a well-preserved 19th-century village center. | | | |

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| PHOTO | PHOTOGRAPHER Mark McDonough | | DATE 1986 |
| | VIEW NE; NW (barn) | NEGATIVE ON FILE G16; G19 (barn) | |
| COMPILED BY | NAME Mark McDonough | | DATE 1986 |
| | ORGANIZATION Town of Thompson, Connecticut | | |
| | ADDRESS | | |



20 SUBSEQUENT FIELD EVALUATION:

17 OTHER NOTABLE FEATURES OF BUILDING OR SITE (interior and/or exterior)

Five-bay facade, central entry. Left and right bays paired and offset slightly towards corners of house. First floor has tall four-pane door-sized windows, second has 6-over-6 sash.

Second floor windows are located immediately under cornice detailing. Entry has fluted pilasters with entasis, glazed transom with small rectangular panes. Small pedimented peak above entry has molded cornice, delicate dentils cut to plumb under rakes. Door obscured by wooden shutters. House has wooden quoins, plain frieze with central molding, delicate dentil course, molded cornice with partial return.

Brick end walls, four large brick chimneys. End walls are laid up in common bond with occasional header courses. End-wall window openings have stone sills, splayed brick lintels. Small cross-gabled one-story shed/wing to rear. Victorian barn with bracketed eaves at right-rear.

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| 18 ARCHITECT | BUILDER |
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19 HISTORICAL OR ARCHITECTURAL IMPORTANCE

The early occupant and probable builder of this house was Deacon Jesse Bolles, about whom little could be found. Bolles died about 1835. Later occupants included Congregational minister Reverend Daniel Dow, who purchased the house after Bolles' death.

Historically, the house is significant as part of a large assemblage of 18th and 19th century buildings in the village center of Thompson Hill, and for its association with Reverend Dow, a prominent local religious leader.

Architecturally, the building is significant as a good example of early 19th-century building. The delicate dentils of the entry and cornice, the wooden quoins (intended to suggest expensive masonry construction) and the fluted entry pilasters all show the influence of the Federal style, which reached a peak in this prosperous rural village about 1815. The paired offset window bays and the location of the second-floor windows high under the eaves recall the form of the 18th-century vernacular house. The brick end walls are a locally popular feature. The large first-floor windows are a common Victorian alteration, and are probably contemporaneous with the barn.

SOURCES

Thompson Land Records 12:48 (1831)

21 THREATS TO BUILDING OR SITE

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| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> None known | <input type="checkbox"/> Highways | <input type="checkbox"/> Vandalism | <input type="checkbox"/> Developers | <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Renewal | <input type="checkbox"/> Private | <input type="checkbox"/> Deterioration | <input type="checkbox"/> Zoning | <input type="checkbox"/> Explanation _____ |