

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

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STATE OF CONNECTICUT  
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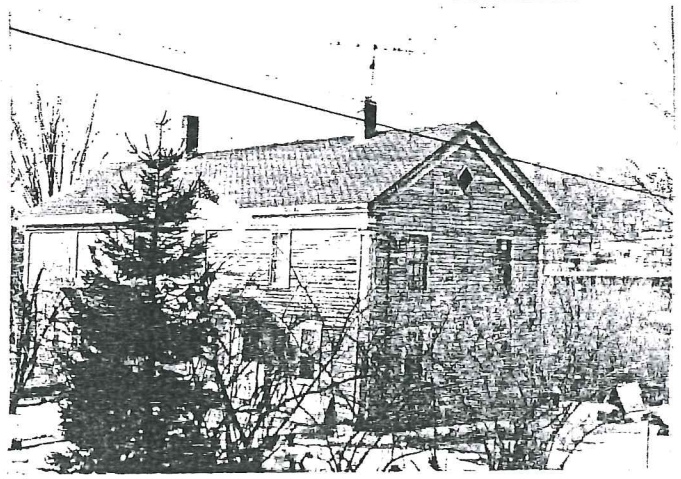
167/59/8/1

FOR OFFICE USE ONLY	
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	1. BUILDING NAME (Common) (Historic)		PHINEAS COPELAND HOUSE	
	2. TOWN CITY	VILLAGE	COUNTY	
	THOMPSON	NORTH GROSVENORDALE	WINDAM	
	3. STREET AND NUMBER (and/or location)		167/59-8	
	65 BUCKLEY HILL ROAD (29 BUCKLEY HILL RD.)			
	4. OWNER(S)		HEBERT, ROLAND F., QUINEBAUG, CT 06262 <input type="checkbox"/> Public <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Private	
DESCRIPTION	5. USE (Present) (Historic)		Residence 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	
	Greek Revival		c. 1850	
	8. MATERIAL(S) (Indicate use or location when appropriate)			
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Clapboard <input type="checkbox"/> Asbestos Siding <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Brick Chimney <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"/> sawtooth <input type="checkbox"/> Gambrel <input type="checkbox"/> Shed <input type="checkbox"/> Hip <input type="checkbox"/> Round <input type="checkbox"/> Other (Specify) _____ (Material) <input type="checkbox"/> Wood Shingle <input type="checkbox"/> Roll Asphalt <input type="checkbox"/> Tin <input type="checkbox"/> Slate <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Gable end to the street <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Asphalt shingle <input type="checkbox"/> Built up <input type="checkbox"/> Tile <input type="checkbox"/> Other (Specify) _____ <input type="checkbox"/> Ridge parallel to the street				
11. NUMBER OF STORIES		APPROXIMATE DIMENSIONS		
2 1/2		24' x 63'		
12. CONDITION (Structural) (Exterior)				
<input type="checkbox"/> Excellent <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Good <input type="checkbox"/> Fair <input type="checkbox"/> Deteriorated <input type="checkbox"/> Excellent <input type="checkbox"/> Good <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Fair <input type="checkbox"/> Deteriorated				
13. INTEGRITY (Location)		WHEN ?	Alterations	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> On original site <input type="checkbox"/> Moved			<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No Considerable new clapboards	
14. RELATED OUTBUILDINGS OR LANDSCAPE FEATURES				
<input type="checkbox"/> Barn <input type="checkbox"/> Shed <input type="checkbox"/> Garage <input type="checkbox"/> Other landscape features or buildings (Specify) _____ <input type="checkbox"/> Carriage house <input type="checkbox"/> Shop <input type="checkbox"/> Garden				
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 slope of hill, just northeast of the 1872 Grosvenordale mill.

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	ADDRESS	



16 SUBSEQUENT FIELD EVALUATION:

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

Facade has two bays, no entry. Sash generally 6-over-6. Two-story paneled corner pilasters. Molded architrave, plain frieze; molded cornice shows partial return. Diamond-shaped attic window. Left elevation has two entries beneath hoods; right elevation plain.

18 ARCHITECT

BUILDER

19 HISTORICAL OR ARCHITECTURAL IMPORTANCE

Phineas Copeland, a farmer, was the early occupant and probable builder of this duplex house. About 1850, Copeland (c. 1813-1891) began purchasing a good deal of property in what was then the mill village of Fisherville, controlled by mill owner William Fisher (the name of the village was changed to North Grosvenordale in 1868). Fisher, who went bankrupt in 1855, encouraged farmers such as Copeland to settle in the area; unlike later owners (most notably William Grosvenor's Grosvenor-Dale Company) he apparently envisioned a diverse community with a mixture of agriculture and industry, not a single-purpose mill settlement.

The Copeland House is historically significant as one of relatively few buildings in North Grosvenordale pre-dating Grosvenor's expansion of the mill.

Architecturally, it is significant as a good example of the Greek Revival style, most popular from about 1835 to 1855. The corner pilasters, formal entablature (architrave, frieze, and cornice), and the gable-end-to-street orientation are all intended to suggest the massing and construction of a classical Greek temple.

SOURCES

1855 Atlas

Thompson Vital Statistics

21 THREATS TO BUILDING OR SITE

None known     Highways     Vandalism     Developers     Other \_\_\_\_\_

Renewal     Private     Deterioration     Zoning     Explanation \_\_\_\_\_