

**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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169/88/6611

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

DESCRIPTION

1. BUILDING NAME (Common) <i>(Historic)</i>		Henry Paradis Tenement House	
2. TOWN CITY THOMPSON	VILLAGE NORTH GROSVENORDALE	COUNTY WINDHAM	
3. STREET AND NUMBER (and/or location) 119 MAIN STREET (60 MAIN ST.)		169/88-66	
4. OWNER(S) Molloy, Gerard, RR#4, Esmond, Rhode Island		<input type="checkbox"/> Public	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Private
5. USE (Present) <i>(Historic)</i> Residence		Residence	
6. ACCESSIBILITY TO PUBLIC:	EXTERIOR VISIBLE FROM PUBLIC ROAD <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	INTERIOR ACCESSIBLE <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	IF YES, EXPLAIN
7. STYLE OF BUILDING Vernacular		DATE OF CONSTRUCTION c. 1895	
8. MATERIAL(S) <i>(Indicate use or location when appropriate)</i>			
<input type="checkbox"/> Clapboard	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Asbestos Siding	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Chimneys <input type="checkbox"/> Brick	<input type="checkbox"/> Other <i>(Specify)</i>
<input type="checkbox"/> Wood Shingle	<input type="checkbox"/> Asphalt Siding	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Fieldstone	Foundation
<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 <i>(Specify)</i>			
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 <i>(Specify)</i>
<i>(Material)</i>			
<input type="checkbox"/> Wood Shingle	<input type="checkbox"/> Roll Asphalt	<input type="checkbox"/> Tin	<input type="checkbox"/> Slate <input 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 <i>(Specify)</i> <input type="checkbox"/> Ridge parallel to the street
11. NUMBER OF STORIES 1 1/2	APPROXIMATE DIMENSIONS 45' x 28'		
12. CONDITION <i>(structural)</i> <i>(exterior)</i>			
<input type="checkbox"/> Excellent	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Good	<input type="checkbox"/> Fair	<input type="checkbox"/> Deteriorated
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13. INTEGRITY <i>(Location)</i>		WHEN?	<i>(Alterations)</i> IF YES, EXPLAIN
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> On original site	<input type="checkbox"/> Moved		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No modern siding
14. RELATED OUTBUILDINGS OR LANDSCAPE FEATURES			
<input type="checkbox"/> Barn	<input type="checkbox"/> Shed	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Garage	<input type="checkbox"/> Other landscape features or buildings <i>(Specify)</i>
<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			
In an extensive 19th-Century mill village.			

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	ORGANIZATION Town of Thompson, Connecticut		
	ADDRESS		



20 SUBSEQUENT FIELD EVALUATION:

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

Six bays, twin entries in bays, two and five with small gabled porticoes on square posts, cut-out slat rails (after turned balusters). Wood doors have single large light over panels. Sash generally 2-over-2. Central gabled wall dormer. Early 20th-Century.

Colonial Revival garage has Tuscan-column supporting a decorative pergola in front, balustrade on roof.

18 ARCHITECT

BUILDER

19 HISTORICAL OR ARCHITECTURAL IMPORTANCE

This rental dwelling was built about 1895 by general store owner and landlord Henry Paradis (d. 1910), whose family owned a number of other properties in the Main Street area. At the time, the neighborhood was a vibrant social and commercial center which served as a privately-owned annex to the company-controlled areas surrounding the Grosvenordale-Dale Company's cotton mills in Grosvenordale and North Grosvenordale. With the sale of the North Grosvenordale mill in 1942 and its subsequent closing in 1954, Main Street went into a rapid decline. Not a single retail business now survives on a street that once supported half a dozen grocery stores, a hat store, a candy shop, a furniture store and several other businesses.

Architecturally, this building is undistinguished, but is a good typical example of 19th Century working-class housing. The two-bay Colonial Revival garage testifies to the village's prosperity during the early 20th century, the mills' last major period of prosperity.

SOURCES

Putnam Directory, 1947  
 Thompson Land Records 49:575  
 Thompson Probate Records 12:151 (1910)

21 THREATS TO BUILDING OR SITE

<input 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 _____