

HISTORIC RESOURCES INVENTORY
BUILDING AND STRUCTURES
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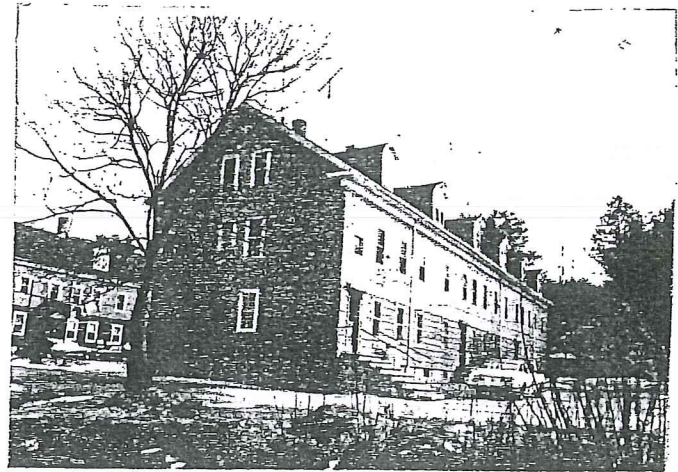
STATE OF CONNECTICUT
CONNECTICUT HISTORICAL COMMISSION
 59 SOUTH PROSPECT STREET, HARTFORD, CONNECTICUT 06106
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 169/93/5/1

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) GREEK VILLAGE MILL HOUSING		(Historic) NORTH GROSVENORDALE MILL HOUSING TYPE D		
	2. TOWN CITY THOMPSON		VILLAGE NORTH GROSVENORDALE	COUNTY WINDHAM	
	3. STREET AND NUMBER (and/or location) 4 MARKET LANE 7 MARKET LANE 169/93-5				
	4. OWNER(S) TEGUIS, PETER W. & VIRGINIA E., Knollwood Road, Dudley, MA 01570 <input type="checkbox"/> Public <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Private				
	5. USE (Present) Residence		(Historic) Residence		
	6. ACCESSIBILITY TO PUBLIC: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No IF YES, EXPLAIN				
	7. STYLE OF BUILDING Mill Housing			DATE OF CONSTRUCTION after 1872	
	8. MATERIAL(S) (Indicate use or location when appropriate)				
	<input type="checkbox"/> Clapboard <input type="checkbox"/> Asbestos Siding <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Chimneys <input type="checkbox"/> Other (Specify) <input type="checkbox"/> Wood Shingle <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Asphalt Siding <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Brick <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Fieldstone Foundation <input type="checkbox"/> Board & Batten <input type="checkbox"/> Stucco <input type="checkbox"/> Cobblestone <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Aluminum Siding <input type="checkbox"/> Concrete Type: <input type="checkbox"/> Cut stone Type:				
	DESCRIPTION	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)					
<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 2 1/2		APPROXIMATE DIMENSIONS 32' x 120'			
12. CONDITION (Structural) <input type="checkbox"/> Excellent <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Good <input type="checkbox"/> Fair <input type="checkbox"/> Deteriorated (Exterior) <input type="checkbox"/> Excellent <input type="checkbox"/> Good <input checked="" 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 See #17	
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					
One of four originally nearly identical mill houses just southeast of the North Grosvenordale mill.					

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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)

Fifteen-bay facades on both elevations with entries in first, fifth, and tenth bays. Sash varies, generally 6-over-6 and 2-over-2. Flat molded entry hoods on small jigsawn consoles.

Doors generally have one large pane over panels. Molded cornice, partial return, gabled roof dormers with 4-over-4 sash. Small circular attic louvers with octagonal surrounds.

18 ARCHITECT

BUILDER

19 HISTORICAL OR ARCHITECTURAL IMPORTANCE

These four large mill houses were built by the Grosvenor Dale Company shortly after the completion of the 1872 North Grosvenordale cotton mill (located just to the east). The complex acquired the name "Greek Village" in the first years of the 20th century, when it was occupied by single men from the eastern Mediterranean, many of whom were members of the Greek Orthodox Church. Ironically, none of these men were natives of Greece, but instead were a mixture of Turks, Rumanians, and Albanians.

Just as the French-Canadians and Swedes had fled agricultural depressions in their native lands, the "Greeks" came to New England to escape wars and political instability then prevalent in the east. The Grosvenor Dale Company, like many industrial concerns of the day, tended to segregate ethnic groups in housing and labor (no doubt in part to make union organizing more difficult). The "Greeks" were settled en masse in this area overlooking the mill's cotton storage sheds and were put to work mainly in the mill's carding department. The company retained ownership of these buildings until 1938, when they were auctioned off along with the bulk of its housing.

Architecturally, the buildings in Greek Village are significant as good examples of 19th

SOURCES

Bagnall, Contributions to American Economic History
 Margolick, Patterns of Change in New England Textile Towns
 Thompson Land Records

21 THREATS TO BUILDING OR SITE

<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"/> Deterlocation	<input type="checkbox"/> Zoning	<input type="checkbox"/> Explanation _____

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CONTINUATION SHEET #19 NORTH GROSVENORDALE MILL HOUSING - TYPE D
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century mill housing. They are similar to other mill dwellings found throughout northeastern Connecticut and, indeed, throughout much of New England.

Historically, they are significant for their association with the Grosvenor Dale Company which dominated Thompson's economic, social, and political life from the 1860s until the final sale of the mill property in 1942.

They are also historically and architecturally significant as part of a large and well preserved mill village complex surrounding the 1872 North Grosvenordale Mill. Unlike modern factory owners, who generally make little or no effort to regulate the behavior of their employees outside working hours, many 19th century mill and factory managers sought to combine work, housing, recreation, retail facilities, and religious worship in one compact, easily surveyed environment -- under the watchful eye of the Company Agent and the long shadow of the mill tower. The Grosvenor Dale Company followed this plan in modified form until the 1930s, when the housing was sold and the Agent move to Thompson Hill.