

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

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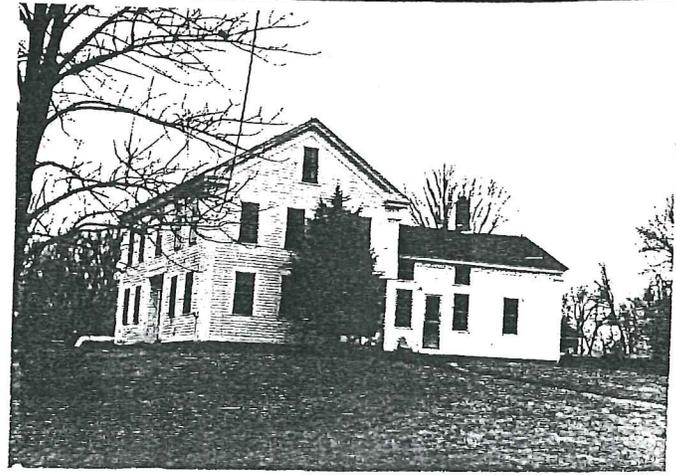
17/81/42/A/

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) <span style="float: right;">(Historic)</span> PARLEY JORDAN HOUSE	
	2. TOWN CITY THOMPSON	VILLAGE FABYAN
	3. STREET AND NUMBER (and/or location) 173 FABYAN-WOODSTOCK ROAD (594 FABYAN Rd.) 17/81-42A	
	4. OWNER(S) CORRIVEAU, JEANNETTE, FABYAN, CT 06245 <input type="checkbox"/> Public <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Private	
	5. USE (Present) <span style="float: right;">(Historic)</span> Residence 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	
DESCRIPTION	7. STYLE OF BUILDING Greek Revival	
	DATE OF CONSTRUCTION c. 1845	
	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 <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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> Cut stone Type: granite foundation facing	
	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 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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> Ridge parallel to the street		
11. NUMBER OF STORIES APPROXIMATE DIMENSIONS 2 1/2 25' x 36'		
12. CONDITION (Structural) <span style="float: right;">(Exterior)</span>		
<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) WHEN? (Alterations) IF YES, EXPLAIN		
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> On original site <input type="checkbox"/> Moved <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No		
14. RELATED OUTBUILDINGS OR LANDSCAPE FEATURES		
<input type="checkbox"/> Barn <input type="checkbox"/> Shed <input type="checkbox"/> Garage <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other landscape features or buildings (Specify) wood fence (deteriorated) bolted to 19th century granite monoliths.		
<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"/> Industrial <input type="checkbox"/> Rural <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> High building density		
16. INTERRELATIONSHIP OF BUILDING AND SURROUNDINGS In a small 19th century mill village.		

(OVER)

PHOTO	PHOTOGRAPHER Mark McDonough		DATE 1986
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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)

Three-bay facade (east elevation) with right entry in antis (paneled soffit). Entry recess framed by wide paneled pilasters and lintel; corner blocks with turned circular bosses. Heavy-paneled door is original; large twelve-pane sidelights over panels. Glazed transome. Sidelights flanked by narrow rounded pilasters. Sash generally old 6-over-6.

Two story plain corner pilasters. Molded architrave, plain frieze; molded cornice shows partial return. Left (south) elevation treated as second facade: five-bay with central recessed entry. Detailing similar to front. Right elevation has one-and-one-half-story original cross-gabled ell, simplified detailing.

18 ARCHITECT

BUILDER

19 HISTORICAL OR ARCHITECTURAL IMPORTANCE

This large and attractive Greek Revival house was built about 1845 by Parley Jordan, a pioneer industrialist in Fabyan (known during the 19th century as New Boston). In 1821, Jordan began the manufacture of axes and other edged tools in the village. Jordan was highly successful, and remained in the trade at least until the late 1860's, by which time New Boston was becoming identified primarily as a woolen mill settlement.

Historically, this house is significant for its association with Jordan, one of Thompson's most successful small scale 19th century industrialists, and as part of a well-preserved assemblage of 19th century buildings in Fabyan.

Architecturally, it is significant as one of Thompson's finest Greek Revival houses. The corner pilasters, gable-to-street-orientation, and prominent architrave, frieze, and cornice are all intended to suggest the columns, massing, and formal entablatures of a classical Greek temple. The treatment of the south elevation as a second facade bears testimony to the prosperity of its builder.

1855 Atlas  
1867 Atlas  
Bayles, History of Windham County

SOURCES

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