

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

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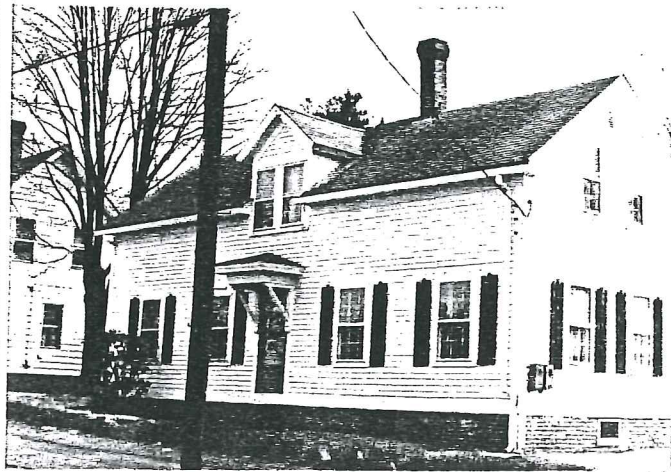
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FOR OFFICE USE ONLY	
Town No.:	Site No.:
UTM	
QUAD:	
DISTRICT	IF NR. SPECIFY
<input type="checkbox"/> S <input type="checkbox"/> NR	<input type="checkbox"/> Actual <input type="checkbox"/> Potential

IDENTIFICATION	1. BUILDING NAME (Common) (Historic)		NORTH GROSVENORDALE MILL HOUSING - TYPE E	
	2. TOWN CITY	VILLAGE	COUNTY	
	THOMPSON	NORTH GROSVENORDALE	WINDHAM	
	3. STREET AND NUMBER (and/or location)		61/58-35	
	1232 ROUTE 12 (867 RIVERSIDE DR.)			
	4. OWNER(S)		<input type="checkbox"/> Public <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Private	
PELLETIER, BLANCHE, N. GROSVENORDALE, CT 06255				
DESCRIPTION	5. USE (Present)		(Historic)	
	Residence		Residence	
	6. ACCESSIBILITY TO PUBLIC:		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	
	Mill Housing		c. 1875	
	8. MATERIAL(S) (Indicate use or location when appropriate)			
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Clapboard <input type="checkbox"/> Asbestos Siding <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Chimney <input type="checkbox"/> Other (Specify) _____ <input type="checkbox"/> Wood Shingle <input type="checkbox"/> Asphalt Siding <input type="checkbox"/> Brick Foundation <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"/> Structural iron or steel <input type="checkbox"/> Load bearing masonry <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	
	1 1/2		39' x 18'	
	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 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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No Modern storm sash		
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 (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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> Commercial <input type="checkbox"/> Industrial <input type="checkbox"/> Rural <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> High building density				
16. INTERRELATIONSHIP OF BUILDING AND SURROUNDINGS				
Just across Route 12 from Greek Village mill housing, very similar house just to the north.				

(OVER)

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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)

Five-bay facade, central entry under small hood on simple jigsawn braces. Wood door has single large pane over panels. Sash generally 6-over-6. Gabled central wall dormer. Plain corner boards and frieze. Molded cornice shows partial return.

Plain rear cross-gabled wings. Most examples are more highly altered. Most common alterations include new sash, later siding, altered fenestration (picture windows), later porches.

18 ARCHITECT

BUILDER

19 HISTORICAL OR ARCHITECTURAL IMPORTANCE

These standard-plan mill houses are part of a large assemblage built by the Grosvenor Dale Company to house workers at its 1872 North Grosvenordale mill, located just to the north-west. Although most are considerably altered, they are architecturally significant as good examples of 19th century mill housing.

They are historically significant for their connection to the Grosvenor Dale Company, which transformed Thompson from a stagnating Yankee farm town into a major cotton textile producer, and dominated the town's economic, social, and political life from the 1860s until it sold its mill operations in 1942.

These homes, along with more than 100 others, were sold by the company in 1938. These houses, along with the mill, the adjacent Main Street commercial area, and several dozen other company dwellings, comprise a well preserved "mill village". The mill village ideal brought work, housing, recreation, commerce, and religion together in a single compact, company controlled environment.

SOURCES

Bayles, History of Windham County
Thompson Land Records

21 THREATS TO BUILDING OR SITE

None known Highways Vandalism Developers Other _____

Renewal Private Deterioration Zoning Explanaton _____