

HISTORIC RESOURCES INVENTORY
BUILDING AND STRUCTURES
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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)		JOHN BATES, JR. HOUSE		
	2. TOWN CITY	VILLAGE	COUNTY		
	THOMPSON	THOMPSON	WINDHAM		
	3. STREET AND NUMBER (and/or location)		DATE OF CONSTRUCTION		
	3 ROUTE 193 and MASSACHUSETTS LINE (1406-1408 THOMPSON Rd.)		c. 1800		
DESCRIPTION	4. OWNER(S)		<input type="checkbox"/> Public <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Private		
	5. USE (present)		(Historic)		
	Residence		Residence		
	6. ACCESSIBILITY TO PUBLIC:		IF YES, EXPLAIN		
	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		
	7. STYLE OF BUILDING		DATE OF CONSTRUCTION		
	Federal		c. 1800		
	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"/> Brick <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 checked="" 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 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		38' x 29'			
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 Later right wing			
14. RELATED OUTBUILDINGS OR LANDSCAPE FEATURES					
<input type="checkbox"/> Barn <input type="checkbox"/> Shed <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Garage <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other landscape features or buildings (Specify) Small cottage in back c. 1940 <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 many 19th century houses on this heavily travelled road.					

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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 (spaced irregularly on second floor), central entry. Rectangular side-lights flanked by narrow fluted and paneled pilasters (outer pilasters paired).
 Pilasters have molded architrave, plain frieze, molded cornice. Above, molded transom bar and carved semi-elliptical sunburst with molded surround, keyblock with carved heart and arrow design. Sash generally 6-over-6. Second floor windows located high under eaves. Cornice detailing boxed over with modern siding.
 Single chimney near right end of ridge.
 Interiors were extensively re-finished c. 1940 and feature enameled composition board paneling resembling formica. Foundation of massive central chimney remains.

DESCRIPTION (Continued)

18 ARCHITECT	BUILDER
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19 HISTORICAL OR ARCHITECTURAL IMPORTANCE

John Bates Jr. was the longtime early occupant of this house, which was built about 1800, perhaps by John Stone. John Bates Jr. and Alanson Bates purchased the land on which this building stands from Stone in 1808. John Jr., a farmer, sold the house and 106 acres of land in 1847 to Jesse Alton.
 Bates, a farmer, was born in Thompson in 1779 and died in 1863 at the age of 84. The Bates family had extensive landholdings in this part of Thompson; for a time it was known as "Bates Grove".
 Architecturally, the Bates house is significant as a highly altered example of the Federal or Adam style, which emphasized the use of characteristically delicate decorative elements adapted from classical models. The major Federal elements still visible can be seen in the entry, with its slender pilasters and semi-elliptical sunburst. The irregular bay-spacing on the second floor is due to extensive c. 1940 renovations. The formica like paneling in the interior is an architectural curiosity, recalling the enameled skin of contemporaneous Lustron houses.

SIGNIFICANCE

SOURCES
 Thompson Land Records 4:466 (1808)
 Thompson Vital Statistics.

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