

HISTORIC RESOURCES INVENTORY
BUILDING AND STRUCTURES
 HIST-6 NEW 5.77

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114/25/211

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

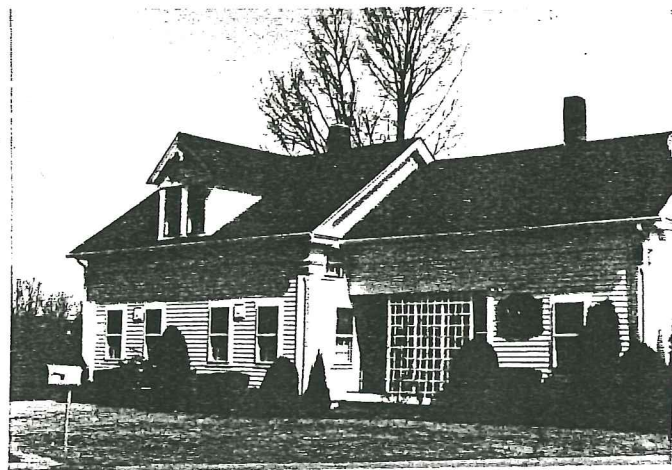
1. BUILDING NAME (Common)	SMALL ANIMAL HOSPITAL		(Historic)	IRA J. BATES HOUSE
2. TOWN CITY	VILLAGE	COUNTY		
THOMPSON	THOMPSON	WINDHAM		
3. STREET AND NUMBER (and/or location)	32 ROUTE 193 (1387 THOMPSON RD.)		114/25-2	
4. OWNER(S)	BUSCH, FREDERICK L. & PATRICIA, RR4, WEBSTER, MA 01570		<input type="checkbox"/> Public	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Private
5. USE (Present)	Office		(Historic)	Residence
6. ACCESSIBILITY TO PUBLIC:	EXTERIOR VISIBLE FROM PUBLIC ROAD	INTERIOR ACCESSIBLE	IF YES, EXPLAIN	
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No		

DESCRIPTION

7. STYLE OF BUILDING	Greek Revival		DATE OF CONSTRUCTION	c. 1860
8. MATERIAL(S) (Indicate use or location when appropriate)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Clapboard <input type="checkbox"/> Asbestos Siding <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Chimneys <input type="checkbox"/> Other (Specify) _____ <input type="checkbox"/> Wood Shingle <input 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 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			
1 1/2	38' x 26'			
12. CONDITION (Structural)	(Material)			
<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 checked="" 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 several 19th century houses scattered along this heavily travelled stretch of Route 193.			

(OVER)

PHOTO	PHOTOGRAPHER Mark McDonough	DATE 1986
	VIEW NE & E	NEGATIVE ON FILE J23; J24
COMPILED BY	NAME Mark McDonough	DATE 1986
	ORGANIZATION Town of Thompson, Connecticut	
	ADDRESS	
20 SUBSEQUENT FIELD EVALUATION		



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

Four-bay facade, no entry, sash generally recent 6-over-6. Corner pilasters with Ogee-arch panels, capitals with five narrow, small brackets aligned vertically.

Wide plain frieze, molded cornice shows partial return. Central gabled roof dormer has paired 2-over-2, jigsaw panels in peak, jigsaw rake-end brackets. Entry is three bay recess in one-and-one-half-story parallel right wing. Recess framed with very heavy wood lintel, heavy paneled door is old or original. Wing has similar pilasters and cornice detail.

18 ARCHITECT

BUILDER

19 HISTORICAL OR ARCHITECTURAL IMPORTANCE

Ira J. Bates was the early occupant and probably builder of this well preserved Greek Revival house. Bates, a farmer, was born in neighboring Dudley, Massachusetts in 1827, he died in 1913. The Bates family were very prominent landowners in this area of Thompson in the 18th and 19th centuries; at one time, it was known as "Bates Grove".

Architecturally, the house is significant as one of Thompson's best Greek Revival dwellings. Greek Revival architecture was the first truly national style in America, most popular from about 1835 to 1855. This fine late example shows the growing influence of the Victorian Vernacular mode, which featured the extensive use of mass produced wooden ornamentation, made affordable by such 19th century innovations as the jigsaw and drill press. The pilasters, frieze, and cornice were intended to suggest the classical detailing of a Greek temple; the Ogee-arched panels and small capital brackets show the Victorian Vernacular influence. The gabled roof dormer is probably original; it could be an early modification.

SOURCES

1855 Atlas
1867 Atlas
Thompson Land Records 19:609 (1852)
Thompson Vital Statistics

21 THREATS TO BUILDING OR SITE

None known Highways Vandalism Developers Other _____

Renewal Private Deterioration Zoning Explanation _____