

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

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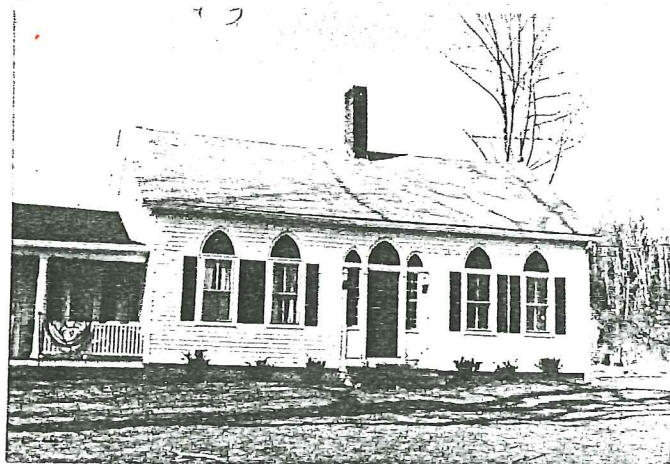
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Town No.:	Site No.:
UTM	
QUAD:	
DISTRICT	IF NR, SPECIFY
<input type="checkbox"/> S <input type="checkbox"/> NR	<input type="checkbox"/> Actual <input type="checkbox"/> Potential

IDENTIFICATION	1. BUILDING NAME (Common)	(Historic)	WINTHROP H. BALLARD HOUSE	
	2. TOWN CITY	VILLAGE	COUNTY	
	THOMPSON	THOMPSON	WINDHAM	
	3. STREET AND NUMBER (and/or location)		87/38-14	
	2271 ROUTE 193	(140 THOMPSON RO.)		
DESCRIPTION	4. OWNER(S)		O'BRIEN, TIMOTHY J. & LYNNE D., RR#2, THOMPSON, CT 06277	
	5. USE (Present)	(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		
	7. STYLE OF BUILDING		DATE OF CONSTRUCTION	
	Vernacular		c. 1860 (remodelled)	
	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 type="checkbox"/> Asphalt Siding <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 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			
1 1/2	36' X 24'			
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	siding, modern storm sash	
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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> Scattered buildings visible from site				
<input type="checkbox"/> Commercial <input type="checkbox"/> Indus-trial <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Rural <input type="checkbox"/> High building density				
16. INTERRELATIONSHIP OF BUILDING AND SURROUNDINGS				
Just southwest of Thompson Hill, a 19th-century village center.				

(OVER)

PHOTO	PHOTOGRAPHER Mark McDonough		DATE 1986
	VIEW NW	NEGATIVE ON FILE G7	
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	ORGANIZATION Town of Thompson, Connecticut		
	ADDRESS		



20 SUBSEQUENT FIELD EVALUATION:

DESCRIPTION (Continued)	17 OTHER NOTABLE FEATURES OF BUILDING OR SITE (interior and/or exterior)	
	<p>Five-bay facade, central entry. Old heavy-paneled wood door flanked by sidelights over panels; sidelights have two rows of old rectangular panes. Sidelights flanked by paneled pilasters. Above door, sidelights, and windows, pointed-arched panels with clapboard sunbursts and molded surrounds.</p> <p>Sash generally 2-over-2. Sided cornice, partial return, Old 8-over-8 sash in attic. Lower left parallel wing with c. 1910 Tuscan-columned porch. Wing attaches to shed/barn.</p>	

18 ARCHITECT	BUILDER
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SIGNIFICANCE	19 HISTORICAL OR ARCHITECTURAL IMPORTANCE	
	<p>The presence appearance of this house reflects extensive mid 19th-century alterations, probably performed by Winthrop H. Ballard (1801-1894), who bought it in 1863 from George W. Day (1801-1884). Day and Ballard were both farmers. The idiosyncratic alterations show the influence of the Gothic Revival style, a picturesque movement in architecture which featured extensive use of pointed-arched forms and reached a peak of popularity in the late 1850's and early 1860's.</p> <p>The building's early 19th-century origins are reflected in the simple ridge-parallel-to-street form, the central brick chimney, and the surviving small-pane attic sash.</p>	

SOURCES	Thompson Land Records 21:337 (1863)	
	Thompson Vital Statistics	

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	