

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

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STATE OF CONNECTICUT
 CONNECTICUT HISTORICAL COMMISSION
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97/44/411

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) WILLIAM W. HOLMES HOUSE	
	2. TOWN CITY THOMPSON	VILLAGE WILSONVILLE
	3. STREET AND NUMBER (and/or location) 370 WILSONVILLE ROAD (310 WILSONVILLE RD.) 97/44-4	
	4. OWNER(S) WOODWARD, EDWARD & JEAN ADAMS, RRI, N. GROSVENORDALE, CT 06255 <input type="checkbox"/> Public <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Private	
	5. USE (Present) (Historic) Residence Residence	
	6. ACCESSIBILITY TO PUBLIC: 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 IF YES, EXPLAIN	
DESCRIPTION	7. STYLE OF BUILDING Vernacular	
	DATE OF CONSTRUCTION c. 1850 (left part); 18th century	
	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 Bay window foundation
	<input type="checkbox"/> Board & Batten <input type="checkbox"/> Stucco	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Fieldstone Foundation
	<input type="checkbox"/> Aluminum Siding <input type="checkbox"/> Concrete Type: _____	<input type="checkbox"/> Cobblestone
	<input type="checkbox"/> Cut stone Type: _____	
	9. STRUCTURAL SYSTEM	
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Left part Wood frame	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Right part Post and beam
<input type="checkbox"/> Load bearing masonry	<input type="checkbox"/> balloon	
<input type="checkbox"/> Other (Specify) _____	<input type="checkbox"/> Structural iron or steel	
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 64' x 22'		
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 type="checkbox"/> On original site <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Moved	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No See #17, 19	
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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> No surrounding buildings visible from site	
<input type="checkbox"/> Commercial <input type="checkbox"/> Industrial	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Rural <input type="checkbox"/> High building density	
16. INTERRELATIONSHIP OF BUILDING AND SURROUNDINGS In an isolated area of northern Thompson now experiencing some suburban growth.		

(OVER)

PHOTO	PHOTOGRAPHER Mark McDonough	DATE 1986
	VIEW NW	NEGATIVE ON FILE L28
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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)

Structure consists of two houses joined together. Left: old 6-over-6 sash, five bays, irregularly spaced. Entry in second bay. Paneled wood door. Early hood on jigsawn consoles.

Right: some old 6-over-6 sash, some 2-over-2. Three-bay facade. First is Victorian bay window, second is entry with border pane stained glass door. One story porch on square posts, jigsawn post brackets with turned circular bosses; porch continues across right elevation.

18 ARCHITECT	BUILDER
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19 HISTORICAL OR ARCHITECTURAL IMPORTANCE

The earliest known occupant of this property and the possible builder of the newer left portion of this house was William H. Holmes, who bought it in a series of transactions between 1848 and 1854.

The left portion of the house, built about 1850, features a balloon frame of full dimensional lumber. The older right portion, which may date to the 18th century, has a heavy timber post-and-beam frame. The two structures are discrete, with a double sill where they are joined and completely separate roof framing. This makes it probable that one of the two buildings was moved to its current position, a common occurrence in the 19th century.

The building is historically and architecturally significant as a good example of vernacular building; the older right portion features extensive Victorian alterations, including the porch and the stained glass border pane door.

SOURCES

1867 Atlas
Interview with owner
Thompson Land Records 24:44 (1871)

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 _____