

HISTORIC RESOURCES INVENTORY
BUILDING AND STRUCTURES
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FOR OFFICE USE ONLY	
Town No.:	Site No. 10
UTM:	
QUAD:	
DISTRICT <input type="checkbox"/> S <input type="checkbox"/> NR	IF NR. SPECIFY <input type="checkbox"/> Actual <input type="checkbox"/> Potential

IDENTIFICATION	1. BUILDING NAME (Common) (Historic) Nettleton, Henry E., House	
	2. TOWN CITY Durham	COUNTY Middlesex
	3. STREET AND NUMBER (and or location) Creamery Road, north side	
	4. OWNER(S) Leo H. & Irene P. Slight <input type="checkbox"/> Public <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Private	
	5. USE (Present) (Historic) Residence Residence	

DESCRIPTION	6. ACCESSIBILITY TO PUBLIC: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No		EXTERIOR VISIBLE FROM PUBLIC ROAD <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No		INTERIOR ACCESSIBLE <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No		IF YES, EXPLAIN	
	7. STYLE OF BUILDING Nineteenth-century Domestic						DATE OF CONSTRUCTION ca. 1860	
	8. MATERIAL(S) (Indicate use or location when appropriate)							
	<input type="checkbox"/> Clapboard		<input type="checkbox"/> Asbestos Siding		<input type="checkbox"/> Brick		<input type="checkbox"/> Other (Specify) _____	
	<input type="checkbox"/> Wood Shingle		<input type="checkbox"/> Asphalt Siding		<input type="checkbox"/> Fieldstone			

DESCRIPTION	9. STRUCTURAL SYSTEM								
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Wood frame		<input type="checkbox"/> Post and beam		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> balloon		<input type="checkbox"/> Other (Specify) _____		
	<input type="checkbox"/> Load bearing masonry				<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

DESCRIPTION	11. NUMBER OF STORIES 2½		APPROXIMATE DIMENSIONS 34 x 30													
	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	

DESCRIPTION	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		Rebuilt ext. remod. 1976, 1979	

DESCRIPTION	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			

DESCRIPTION	15. SURROUNDING ENVIRONMENT							
	<input checked="" 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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> Rural		<input type="checkbox"/> High building density	

16. INTERRELATIONSHIP OF BUILDING AND SURROUNDINGS

Located in the southern portion of Durham on the north side of Creamery Road, the Henry E. Nettleton House is sited in a large open field bordered on the east by the Coginchaug River. This rural neighborhood, once actively farmed, is now experiencing some residential development.

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

DESCRIP (Continued)

This building displays little in the way of embellished architectural detailing. The central facade doorway exhibits thin side pilasters supporting a crown-moulded cornice with imitation keystone. Eight-over-eight and six-over-six sash are featured throughout and a single-story ell with an open porch has been added to the western elevation. A number of farm buildings are located on the property.

18 ARCHITECT

BUILDER

19 HISTORICAL OR ARCHITECTURAL IMPORTANCE

SIGNIFICANCE

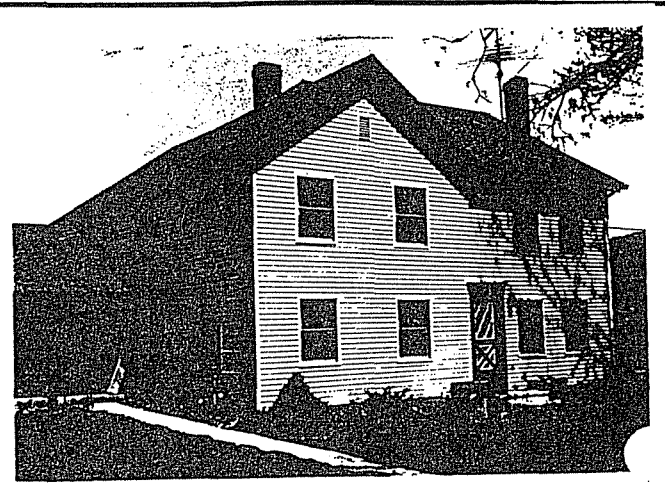
This 2½ story, mid-nineteenth-century Domestic-style dwelling was built about 1860 by Henry S. Nettleton. The five-bay facade features a combination gable-to-street and ridge-to-street asphalt-shingled roof. The aluminum-sided balloon frame rests on a cut stone foundation.

Henry E. Nettleton built this house about 1861, replacing the homestead of his father Eliphaz Nettleton. Henry (b. 1807) was educated in the Durham school system and at age 21 was hired out to a Durham farmer, Richard Robinson. In 1829 Henry went to work as a foreman for Captain Allen at the quarries in Dover, Dutchess County, New York. Upon his father's death in 1831, Henry returned to Durham to farm his father's homestead. In 1839 he married Cornelia M. Camp (1806-1856) and moved to the Crane Farm on Mica Hill while his mother Lydia remained on the farm. Nettleton was a successful cattle farmer who also operated a business of burning charcoal. He was a member of the Democratic Party and a town selectman for many years. Upon his mother's death in 1860, Henry tore down his father's farmhouse and built the present structure, which he used for rental purposes. In 1869 he sold the house to his daughter and son-in-law, Charles and Rose Stone. The farm remained in the Stone family until 1872.

SOURCES

Durham Land Records; Durham Vital Records; Middletown Probate Records; Federal Census of 1820, 1850, 1880; Beers, J. B., History of Middlesex County, Connecticut (New York: J. B. Beers & Co., 1884); Durham History Committee, Durham, CT, 1866-1980: Century of Change (Durham: 1980); Fowler, William C., History of Durham (Durham: W. C. Fowler, 1866); Whited, Milton, Durham's Heritage (Durham: 1976); 1859 Walling Map; 1874 Beers Atlas.

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20 SUBSEQUENT FIELD EVALUATIONS

21 THREATS TO BUILDING OR SITE

None known Highways Vandalism Developers Other _____

Renewal Private Deterioration Zoning Explanation _____