

**HISTORIC RESOURCES INVENTORY
BUILDING AND STRUCTURES**

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FOR OFFICE USE ONLY	
Town No.:	Site No. 181
UTM:	
QUAD:	
DISTRICT	IF NR SPECIFY
<input type="checkbox"/> S <input type="checkbox"/> NR	<input type="checkbox"/> Actual <input type="checkbox"/> Potential

IDENTIFICATION

DESCRIPTION

1. BUILDING NAME (Common) <i>(Historic)</i>		Bartholomew-Mattoon House	
2. TOWN CITY	VILLAGE	COUNTY	
Durham		Middlesex	
3. STREET AND NUMBER (and or location) Wallingford Road			
4. OWNER(S) O'Hannesian, Edward <input type="checkbox"/> Public <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Private			
5. USE (Present)		<i>(Historic)</i>	
Residence		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	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	
7. STYLE OF BUILDING			DATE OF CONSTRUCTION
Federal/Greek Revival			ca. 1820
8. MATERIAL(S) <i>(Indicate use or location when appropriate)</i>			
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Clapboard	<input type="checkbox"/> Asbestos Siding	<input type="checkbox"/> Brick	<input type="checkbox"/> Other <i>(Specify)</i>
<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 type="checkbox"/> Aluminum Siding	<input type="checkbox"/> Concrete Type:	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Cut stone Type: Brownstone	
9. STRUCTURAL SYSTEM			
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Wood frame	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Post and beam	<input type="checkbox"/> balloon	<input type="checkbox"/> Other <i>(Specify)</i>
<input type="checkbox"/> Load bearing masonry		<input type="checkbox"/> Structural iron or steel	
10. ROOF <i>(Type)</i>			
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Gable	<input type="checkbox"/> Flat	<input type="checkbox"/> Mansard	<input type="checkbox"/> Monitor
<input type="checkbox"/> ridge-to-street	<input type="checkbox"/> Shed	<input type="checkbox"/> Hip	<input type="checkbox"/> Round
<input type="checkbox"/> Gambrel			<input type="checkbox"/> Other <i>(Specify)</i>
<i>(Material)</i>			
<input type="checkbox"/> Wood Shingle	<input type="checkbox"/> Roll Asphalt	<input type="checkbox"/> Tin	<input type="checkbox"/> Slate
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Asphalt shingle	<input type="checkbox"/> Built up	<input type="checkbox"/> Tile	<input type="checkbox"/> Other <i>(Specify)</i>
11. NUMBER OF STORIES	APPROXIMATE DIMENSIONS		
	30 x 18; 8 x 24; 29 x 19		
12. CONDITION <i>(Structural)</i>		<i>(Exterior)</i>	
<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 <i>(Location)</i>		WHEN?	<i>(Alterations)</i>
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> On original site	<input type="checkbox"/> Moved		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
			IF YES EXPLAIN
			Additions to east & south elevations
14. RELATED OUTBUILDINGS OR LANDSCAPE FEATURES			
<input type="checkbox"/> Barn	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Shed	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Garage	<input type="checkbox"/> Other landscape features or buildings <i>(Specify)</i>
		2 car	
<input type="checkbox"/> Carriage house	<input type="checkbox"/> Shop	<input type="checkbox"/> Garden	
15. SURROUNDING ENVIRONMENT			
<input type="checkbox"/> Open land	<input checked="" 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 near Reeds Gap in the northwest corner of Durham, the Bartholomew-Mattoon House is surrounded by a wooded, residential neighborhood.

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

DESCRIP (Continued)

The facade features six-over-nine sash on the first floor and three-over-three "eyebrow" windows on the second floor, which are characteristic of local Greek Revival architecture. The facade sash exhibit louvered shutters as does the six-over-nine sash throughout the rest of the main block. A modern entrance portico featuring a gable roof supported by square posts protects the facade entrance. A substantial single story ridge-to-street, gable-roofed ell has been added to the south elevation of the original block.

18 ARCHITECT

BUILDER

19 HISTORICAL OR ARCHITECTURAL IMPORTANCE

SIGNIFICANCE

Set on the south side of Wallingford Road, the Bartholomew-Mattoon House was erected in the transitional Federal/Greek Revival style ca. 1820. Two stories in height, the five bay facade is capped with a ridge-to-street, asphalt-shingled gable roof. The clap-boarded post-and-beam frame rests on a brownstone foundation.

Noyes Dana Bartholomew (1785-1869) of Wallingford built this house ca. 1820 on six acres he received from Moses Robinson. Noyes was the son of Andrew Bartholomew who operated an extensive farm in Wallingford near the Durham town line. A soldier in the War of 1812, Noyes was later responsible for laying out the town of Newberg, Illinois. Shortly before he migrated west, Bartholomew sold the property to Isaiah Mattoon of Durham in 1825. Isaiah, a farmer, quit-claimed the house to his son Alva in 1831 and shortly thereafter it was sold out of the family. The farm passed through a number of hands until Alanson Nettleton purchased it in 1840. Nettleton (1817-1898), a native of Killingworth, farmed the land until 1860. German immigrant John Asman, who purchased the property in 1861, operated a turkey farm and is said to have had the first commercial frozen locker in Durham. In 1884 Asman built his son, William, a house on the western half of the six-acre lot (see: William Asman House) and sold it outright to him in 1906. William obtained his father's house in 1913 and upon his death in 1944 both homes were sold out of the family.

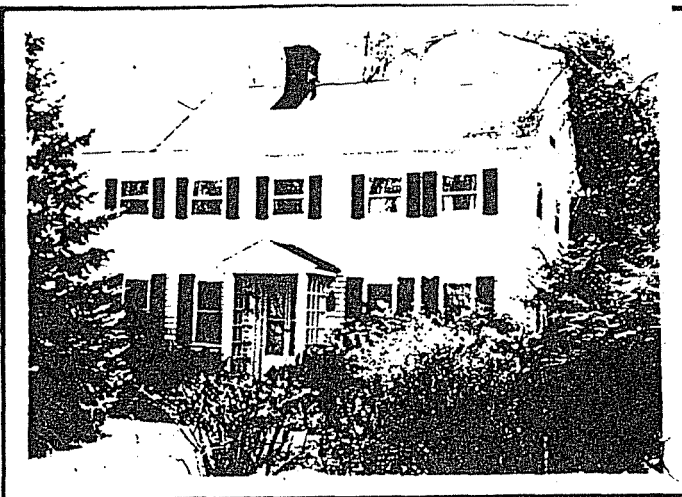
The Bartholomew Mattoon House derives its significance as a well-preserved example of a Federal/Greek Revival style farmhouse erected in the early nineteenth century

SOURCES

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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 _____