

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

STATE OF CONNECTICUT
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FOR OFFICE USE ONLY	
Town No. _____	Site No. 185
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 (<i>Common</i>) _____ (<i>Historic</i>) <u>Tibbals, Samuel & Samuel G., House</u>	
	2 TOWN CITY <u>Durham</u>	VILLAGE _____ COUNTY <u>Middlesex</u>
	3 STREET AND NUMBER (<i>and or location</i>) <u>Wallingford Road, north side</u>	
	4 OWNER(S) <u>Greenbacker</u> <input type="checkbox"/> Public <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Private	
	5 USE (<i>Present</i>) <u>Residence</u> (<i>Historic</i>) <u>Residence</u>	

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 <u>Federal</u>		DATE OF CONSTRUCTION <u>1828</u>	

DESCRIPTION	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: <u>Brownstone</u>	

DESCRIPTION	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		

DESCRIPTION	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 (<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 type="checkbox"/> Other (<i>Specify</i>) _____
	<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 <u>2 1/2</u>	APPROXIMATE DIMENSIONS <u>31'x39'; 10'x4'</u>
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12 CONDITION (<i>Structural</i>)		<i>(Exterior)</i>	
<input type="checkbox"/> Excellent	<input type="checkbox"/> Good	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Fair	<input type="checkbox"/> Deteriorated
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13 INTEGRITY (<i>Location</i>)		WHEN ?	<i>(Alterations)</i>	IF YES EXPLAIN
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> On original site	<input type="checkbox"/> Moved		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	<u>N addition</u>

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 (<i>Specify</i>) _____
<input type="checkbox"/> Carriage house	<input type="checkbox"/> Shop	<input type="checkbox"/> Garden	

15 SURROUNDING ENVIRONMENT			
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Open land	<input type="checkbox"/> Wood-land	<input 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

Surrounded by sloping open fields in a rural residential area, the Tibbals homestead is bordered to the east by a number of early twentieth-century rental properties.

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

DESCRIPTION (Continued)

A delicate Federal period entrance portico enhances the facade of this 2½ story building. The six-panelled door which features a leaded fanlight is original. Two-over-two sash have replaced the original windows and a two-story shed-roofed addition has been annexed to the rear elevation. The first story of the eastern elevation contains a "funeral door." Sited to the west of the house is a deteriorating 2½ story barn and stone silo base.

18 ARCHITECT

BUILDER

19 HISTORICAL OR ARCHITECTURAL IMPORTANCE

SIGNIFICANCE

Built in 1828, this five-bay, center-chimney plan house is prominently sited atop a rise along the northside of Wallingford Road. Topped with an asphalt-shingled, ridge-to-street gable roof, the clapboarded post-and-beam frame rests on a brown-stone foundation.

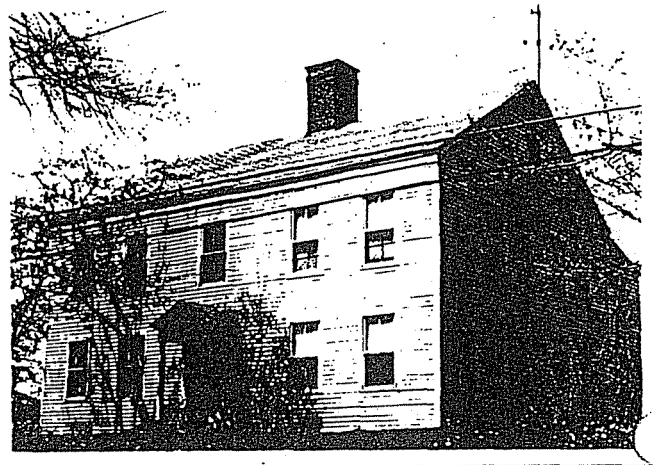
Samuel Tibbals (1774-1857) and his son, Samuel G. Tibbals (1805-1891) erected this house in 1828 on the site of the Ebenezer and Joseph Tibbals Homestead. Samuel Sr., a farmer, was married to Esther Swathel in 1794. For many years he served as a local representative and town selectman. Samuel G. Tibbals, like his father, was a farmer and active in local political affairs. In 1828, shortly after the house was completed, Samuel Jr. married Harriet Hall (1806-1883), the daughter of John Hall. Upon the death of the elder Tibbals in 1857, his half of the property was willed to his other son, Henry H. Tibbals of Brooklyn, New York. Samuel G. continued to operate the farm and eventually his son, Gilbert G. (b 1840) inherited his portion of the house. Gilbert and his cousin, George A. Tibbals sold the entire property to farmer Charles Selander of New Britain. In 1927 wealthy New Haven citizen, Frederick F. Brewster bought the house and the surrounding farms to raise sheep, chickens and horses for pleasure. The enlarged farm employed a number of people and Mr. Brewster constructed five early twentieth-century dwellings to house his employees. Today all the dwellings, including the Tibbals homestead are used as rental properties.
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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 _____

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CONTINUATION SHEET

Item number: 19 Date: 5/4/84

THE SAMUEL & SAMUEL G. TIBBALS HOUSE, Wallingford Road, Durham

Virtually unaltered since its construction, the Samuel and Samuel G. Tibbals house derives its significance as a fine example of Federal period architecture in Durham.