

FORM B - Building

Massachusetts Historical Commission
Massachusetts Archives Building
220 Morrissey Boulevard
Boston, Massachusetts 02125

Map and Lot # 103 31 USGS Quad Area(s) Form Number 476

Town Groton3
Place (neighborhood or village)
Hollingsworth and Vose Papermill Area

Photograph

(3"x3" or 3-1/2x5" black and white only) Label photo on back with town and property address. Record film roll and negative numbers here on form. Staple photo to left side of form over this space. Attach additional photos to continuation sheets.

Roll Negative(s)

Address 208 Townsend Road

Historic Name

Uses: Present Residential

Original Residential

Date of Construction c. 1890

Source Estimate

Style/Form Victorian Eclectic

Architect/Builder

Exterior Material:

Foundation Unknown

Wall/Trim Asbestos clapboards

Roof Asphalt shingle

Outbuildings/secondary structure

Detached 19th c. barn

Major Alterations (with dates)

Re-sided with asbestos, c. 1950

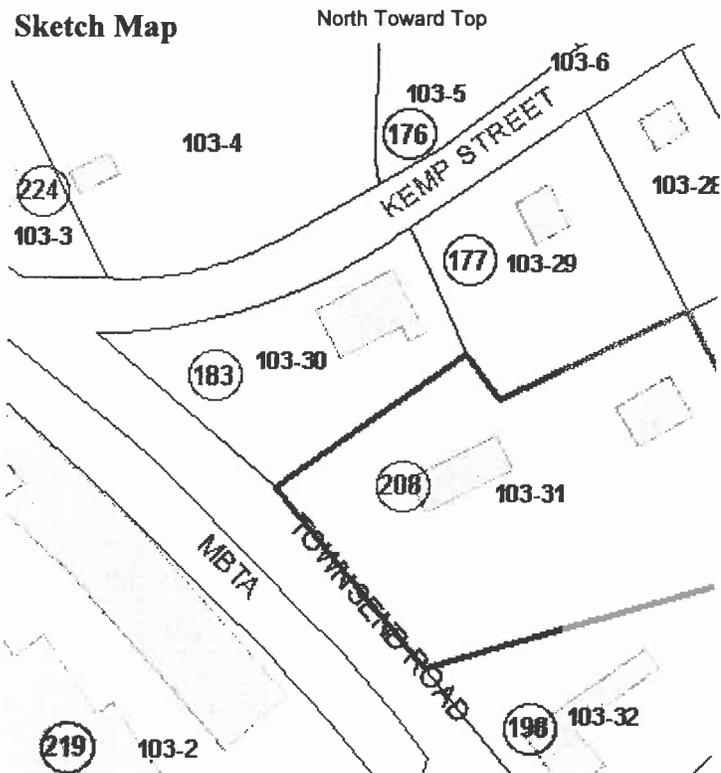
Condition Good

Moved no yes Date

Acreage

Setting Small industrial village

Sketch Map



Recorded by Sanford Johnson

Organization Groton Historical Commission

Date (month/year) 12/08

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BUILDING FORM

ARCHITECTURAL DESCRIPTION

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Describe architectural features. Evaluate the characteristics of this building in terms of other buildings within the community.

- * The large Queen Anne style house and detached barn at 208 Townsend Road face Townsend Road and the Hollingsworth & Vose Mill.
- * The house is a two and one-half-story, cross-gabled, three by four-bay form with an open porch across the first story of the façade and a side-hall entry.
- * Windows are modern replacements except for the Queen Anne sash in the north side wall.
- * Ornament includes the complex floorplan with colossal bay window, turned porch posts, gable returns and beltcourse of wood sheathing above the second story.
- * A pair of brick chimneys occupies the roof ridge.
- * Exterior materials appear to be asbestos clapboards, asphalt shingles and a brick foundation.
- * The detached barn behind the house is a front-gabled, two-story form oriented toward Townsend Road. A rolling vehicle door gives access to the first floor while a mow door accesses the second. Additional openings are filled with double-hung sash. The center of the roof ridge has a square ventilator with pyramidal roof, paired arched louvered vents and a weathervane. Ornament includes the corner boards and gable returns.
- * It is one of the larger outbuildings in the area and appears in good condition

HISTORICAL NARRATIVE

see continuation sheets

Discuss the history of the building. Explain its associations with local (or state) history. Include uses of the building, and the role(s) the owners /occupants played within the community.

The house and barn at 208 Townsend Road do not appear on the 1889 Middlesex Country atlas, suggesting they were built toward the end of the 19th century. The 1930 map of Groton indicates Annie Kane was the occupant. Ms. Kane was not listed in the 1929 resident directory and little else is known of her.

BIBLIOGRAPHY and/or REFERENCES

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1930 map of Groton; 1929 Resident Directory;

**** All properties mentioned in bold type are individually inventoried resources**

- Recommended for listing in the National Register of Historic Places. If checked, you must attach a completed National Register Criteria Statement Form.
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INVENTORY FORM CONTINUATION SHEET

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