

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 Patch House is a Greek Revival style, front-gabled, 4x3-bay, 2 1/2-story form with a rear ell of 2 stories
- * The center entry is covered by an enclosed porch with classical detail including a pediment with molded cornice, pilasters and sidelights
- * Ornament includes the gable returns, corner boards, molded cornice and symmetrical fenestration in the façade
- * Windows are 6/6 double-hung sash with beaded trim
- * The brick chimney is located in the front (eastern) half of the roof ridge
- * A brick walkway and low granite curbing connect the front door to the sidewalk
- * The house occupies a small corner lot and is in excellent condition
- * The front-gabled form is unusual in Groton although a larger example of similar form built of brick is located at 2 Farmers Row

HISTORICAL NARRATIVE

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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 Zara Patch House was built c. 1830 based on its appearance on the 1832 Butler map which does not indicate the name of the occupant. Mr. Patch, a blacksmith according to the 1888 resident directory and census records from 1855 and 1865, lived here until at least 1875 according to the Beers atlas from that year. By 1889, his relative, T. Patch was the occupant. Sanborn fire insurance maps from 1896-1906 depict an attached barn at the rear of the house.

BIBLIOGRAPHY and/or REFERENCES

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Resident Directories, 1918, 1929; Tax records, 1830-1889; 1888 resident directory; 1832 and 1847 Butler maps; 1875 Beers atlas; 1889 Walker atlas; 1856 Walling map; 1939 WPA map; Tax records, 1830-1889; 1855, 1865 state census; Sanborn fire insurance maps, 1896-1906;

**** 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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Town
Groton

Property Address

Area(s)

Form No.

