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Inventory No: CON.381

Historic Name:

Common Name:

Address: 20 Elsinore St

City/Town: Concord

Village/Neighborhood: Concord Center

Local No: G9-605 Year Constructed: c 1880

Architect(s):

Architectural Style(s): Victorian Eclectic

Use(s): Single Family Dwelling House

Significance: Architecture

Area(s): CON.Z: Back of the Depot - Fairgrounds

Designation(s):

Roof: Asphalt Shingle

Building Materials(s): Wall: Wood; Wood Clapboard

Foundation: Brick



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BOSTON, MA 02116



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UTM REFERENCE Parcel G9-605

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NATIONAL REGISTER CRITERIA STATEMENT (if applicable)

ARCHITECTURAL SIGNIFICANCE Describe important architectural features and evaluate in terms of other buildings within the community.

This house is significant at least partly for its lack of any definable style. It is a tall 2 1/2-story "upright-and-wing" house, a type found throughout Concord in the 1880's, usually with subdued Italianate trim. The narrow corner- and rake-boarding and the molded window caps could almost be called Italianate. The house has an eclectic mix of other ornament, however, including a shallow Greek-inspired pediment over one window, and saw-cut "gingerbread" over the polygonal bay on the facade. The main entry is in the wide wing via a enclosed porch built some time after 1909. The windows are primarily 6-over-6-sash; an unusual note is the 3-over-3-sash eave window on the wing facade, as are the two "blind" windows on the east chimney wall at first and second story. The foundation is brick.

HISTORICAL SIGNIFICANCE Explain the role owners played in local or state history and how the building relates to the development of the community.

#20 Elsinore was one of the first houses built on the lower section of the street, the third street to be developed in the neighborhood "back of the depot" at Concord center. Standing by 1889, it illustrates a general type of large single-family house found throughout the area through the turn of the century. It appears to have been built for a member of the Watson family, who also owned the later house at #24, next door. In 1906 it is shown as belonging to the estate of M. O'Neil.

BIBLIOGRAPHY and/or REFERENCES

Town directories.

Maps and atlases: 1889, 1893, 1906; Sanborns from 1903.