

Massachusetts Cultural Resource Information System

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Inventory No:	CON.362
Historic Name:	
Common Name:	
Address:	35 Bedford Ct
City/Town:	Concord
Village/Neighborhood:	Concord Center
Local No:	H9-882
Year Constructed:	c 1870
Architect(s):	
Architectural Style(s):	Victorian Eclectic
Use(s):	Multiple Family Dwelling House
Significance:	Architecture
Area(s):	CON.L: Bedford - Davis Courts Area
Designation(s):	
Building Materials(s):	Roof: Asphalt Shingle Wall: Wood; Wood Clapboard Foundation: Concrete Unspecified



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FORM B - BUILDING

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FORM NO.

362

RECEIVED

Town

CONCORD

Address

35-37 Bedford Court

Historic Name

Present

double-house

Original

double-house

DESCRIPTION

early 1870's

Style

maps, style;

Style

vernacular Victorian

Architect

unknown

Exterior Wall Fabric

clapboard

Outbuildings

garage

Major Alterations (with dates)

entries

replaced; encl. porch on facade, most
windows replaced.

Condition

good

Moved

no

Date

N/A

Acreage

less than one acre

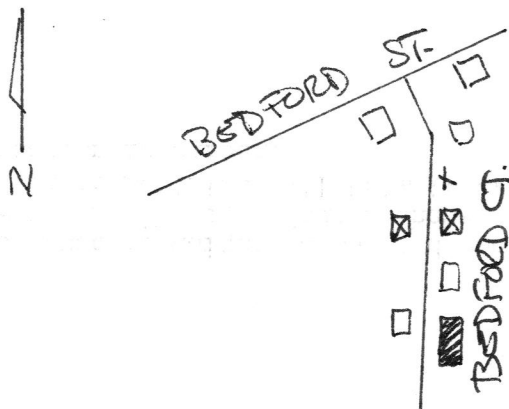
Setting

On dead-end side

street with houses of similar type

and date.

in relation to nearest cross streets and/or
geographical features. Indicate all buildings
between inventoried property and nearest
intersection(s).
Indicate north



UTM REFERENCE

Parcel H9-882

USGS QUADRANGLE

SCALE

Recorded by

A. Forbes

Organization

research by Janet Beyer
for Concord Hist. Comm.

Date

July, 1990

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 unique in Concord center for its long, shallow proportions. It appears to have been built as a double- house, one room deep, with a shared rear ell. An astylistic building, all trim is extremely plain. Most windows are 2-over-2-sash; the foundation is parged.

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

Bedford Court was originally laid out as Dowd's Lane, leading southwest from the property of Frank Dowd, who appears to have had a grocery store and run a saloon on Bedford Street as early as 1875. Several houses were standing on the southeast side of the lane by that year, of which this was the southernmost.

More research is needed to unearth information about its earliest owners and residents. The first known is Mrs. Ellen Collins, a widow who lived here with two family members, (probably her sons,) John and Michael. Some time prior to 1906 the house was acquired by "M. Dempsey." This is probably Michael Dempsey, a church sexton, probably for Saint Bernard's, just to the west.

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