

Massachusetts Cultural Resource Information System

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Inventory No:	CON.124
Historic Name:	Haskell, John O. House
Common Name:	
Address:	141 Hubbard St
City/Town:	Concord
Village/Neighborhood:	Concord Center; Hubbard Estate Improvement
Local No:	H10-160
Year Constructed:	c 1884
Architect(s):	
Architectural Style(s):	Italianate
Use(s):	Single Family Dwelling House
Significance:	Architecture
Area(s):	
Designation(s):	
Building Materials(s):	Roof: Asphalt Shingle Wall: Synthetic Other; Wood Foundation: Brick



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FORM B - BUILDING

Assessor's number

USGS Quad

Area(s)

Form Number

Massachusetts Historical Commission
80 Boylston Street
Boston, Massachusetts 02116

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CONCORD

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Town CONCORD SECT-B
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(neighborhood or village) Hubbard Estate Improvement

141 Hubbard Street

John Haskell House

dwelling

dwelling

ca. 1884-5

maps; visual assessment;

Italianate vernacular

unknown

Exterior Material:

Foundation brick

Wall/Trim synthetic siding

Roof asphalt shingle

Outbuildings/Secondary Structures none

20th C.:

siding changed, some trim lost

fair

Moved ☒ no ☐ yes Date N/A

Acreage less than one acre

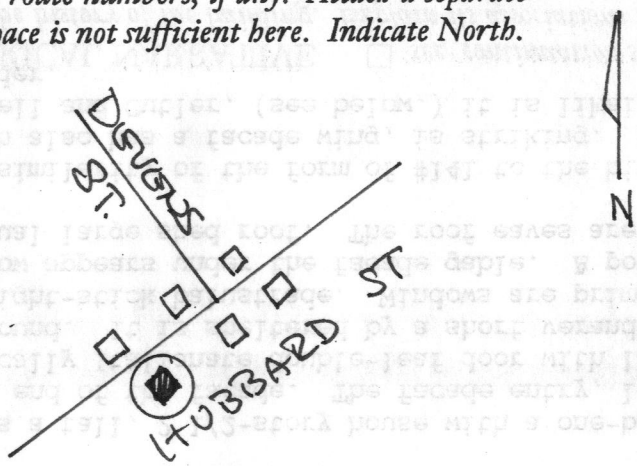
Setting On residential street of houses

built 1870's through early 20th

century.

Sketch Map

Draw a map of the area indicating properties within it. Number each property for which individual inventory forms have been completed. Label streets including route numbers, if any. Attach a separate sheet if space is not sufficient here. Indicate North.



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Organization for Concord Historical Commission

Date (month/day/year) May, 1991

BUILDING FORM

ARCHITECTURAL DESCRIPTION ☐ *see continuation sheet*

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

Because of its synthetic siding and consequent loss of trim elements, today this house appears as an extremely plain building. Keyes mentions that it was shingled, and it is likely that it was once a more elaborate house. (It may even be unique in Concord for the decorative treatment of its brick foundation, which has a double course of projecting diagonal brick just below sill level.)

It is a tall, 2 1/2-story house with a one-bay-wide wing projecting forward from the west end of the facade. The facade entry, located in the main part of the house, has a typically Italianate double-leaf door with large rectangular lights and a molded surround. It is sheltered by a short veranda on lathe-turned posts, with a straight-stick balustrade. Windows are primarily 2-over-2-sash; one polygonal-arched window appears under the facade gable. A polygonal bay window on the west end has an unusual large shed roof. The roof eaves are unboxed.

The similarity of the form of #141 to the hip-roofed house at #52/54 Hubbard Street, which also has a facade wing, is striking. Since they both appear to have been owned by Haskell and Cutler, (see below,) it is likely that they were constructed by the same builder.

HISTORICAL NARRATIVE ☐ *see continuation sheet*

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.

In 1872, 26 1/2 acres of Ebenezer Hubbard's former farm west of Sudbury Road was bought from his estate, and subdivided into house lots by auctioneer Samuel Staples as trustee and Reuben N. Rice as principal investor. Other local residents also invested in the development, buying and then reselling lots. Among them were George M. Brooks, William F. Hurd, E. R. Hoar, Frederic Hudson, George Keyes, and H.F. Smith.

#141 is located on Lot #23 of the Hubbard Estate Improvement, which had been owned for a time by George Brooks. John O. Haskell acquired it and built the house ca. 1884-5. He was a policeman, and after the town water works was established in 1874, served as its superintendent. He was also a carpenter and builder. He died early in this century, and his widow appears to have sold the house to Frank E. Cutler, who owned a grocery store at #73 Thoreau Street.

According to Tolman, both Cutler (or "Cutter," as he calls him,) and Haskell had interests in the property at #52/54 Hubbard Street, as well, with Cutler building the house and selling it to John Haskell.

BIBLIOGRAPHY and/or REFERENCES ☐ *see continuation sheet*

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

Lot #23 on "Hubbard Estate Improvement" Plan, 1872.

Town Directories.

Keyes/Tolman. "Houses in Concord." 1885; revised 1915.

Richardson. Concord Chronicle.

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