

# Massachusetts Cultural Resource Information System

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| <b>Inventory No:</b>           | CON.433  |
| <b>Historic Name:</b>          | Hutchinson, Nathaniel House  |
| <b>Common Name:</b>            |  |
| <b>Address:</b>                | 1266 Lowell Rd   |
| <b>City/Town:</b>              | Concord  |
| <b>Village/Neighborhood:</b>   | Bateman's Pond; North Quarter  |
| <b>Local No:</b>               | F4-1508  |
| <b>Year Constructed:</b>       | r 1830   |
| <b>Architect(s):</b>           |  |
| <b>Architectural Style(s):</b> | Federal; Greek Revival   |
| <b>Use(s):</b>                 | Agricultural; Single Family Dwelling House   |
| <b>Significance:</b>           | Agriculture; Architecture  |
| <b>Area(s):</b>                | CON.CJ: Bateman's Pond Area II   |
| <b>Designation(s):</b>         |  |
| <b>Building Materials(s):</b>  | Roof: Asphalt Shingle<br>Wall: Wood; Wood Clapboard<br>Foundation: Granite; Stone, Cut |



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## FORM B - BUILDING

Assessor's number

USGS Quad

Area(s)

Form Number

CON-433

Massachusetts Historical Commission  
80 Boylston Street  
Boston, Massachusetts 02116

F4-1508

CONCORD

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433

Town

CONCORD

SELT-A

(neighborhood or village) Bateman's Pond

1266 Lowell Road

Nathaniel Hutchinson  
House

Present dwelling

Original dwelling

Year of Construction ca. 1830-35  
(part may be ca. 1780)  
owner's records; Keyes

Form Federal/Greek Revival

Architect/Builder unknown

## Exterior Material:

Foundation

Wall/Trim dressed granite

Roof wood clapboard

Outbuildings/Secondary Structures asphalt shingle

2-car  
garage; 1 story cottage with  
broken hip roof

Major Alterations (with dates)

1-story  
porch at rear, casement windows s.  
side of rear ell

Condition excellent

Moved ☒ no ☐ yes Date

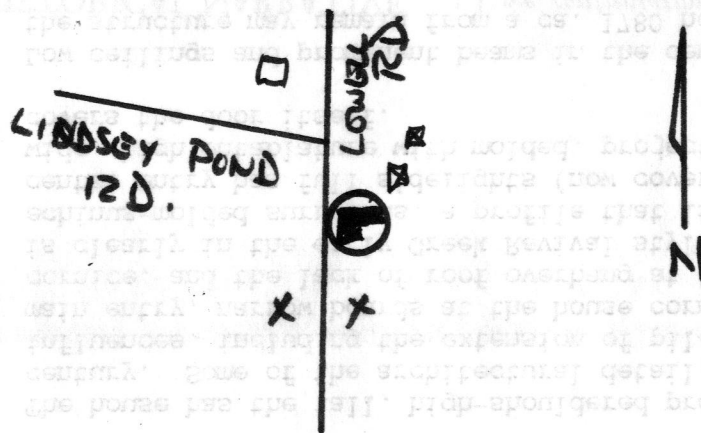
Acreage 3.43 acres

Setting In rural area of open fields

and 18th-19th-century houses on large  
lots. Overlooks fields and pond across  
road to the west. Property lined with  
low rough-granite walls.

## 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 research by Sherry Warner  
for Concord Hist. 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.*

One of the most well-preserved of the many historic farmhouses along the northern stretch of Lowell Road, #1266 is a 2 1/2-story, 5-bay house, two bays deep, with a large 2-story rear wing. A one-story ell extends to the rear of the wing. One tall chimney rises from the northeast rear of the main house; another appears at the end of the ell.

The house has the tall, high-shouldered proportions typical of the early nineteenth century. Some of the architectural detail, too, shows lingering Federal period influences, including the extension of pilaster capitals into the entablature at the main entry, narrow boards at the house corners, a prominent molding under the front cornice, and the lack of roof overhang at the gable ends. Most of the detail, however, is clearly in the early Greek Revival style. The windows are 6-over-6-sash, with echinus-molded surrounds, a profile that is repeated in the main roof cornice. The center entry has full sidelights (now covered by shutters,) fretwork pilasters, and a wide, high entablature with molded, projecting lintel. A vertical-board storm door covers the door itself.

Low ceilings and prominent beams in the central part of the house suggest that part of the structure may remain from a ca. 1780 house that stood on the site until ca. 1830.

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.*

This house replaces a late-eighteenth-century house which was torn down by farmer Nathaniel Hutchinson after he acquired the property. He appears to have built this house in its place some time between 1830 and 1835, although physical evidence suggests that some of the central part of the house may remain from the earlier structure. (No building is shown on the east side of the road in this vicinity on the 1830 map.)

Hutchinson was here for only a few years, however, and sold the farm to J. Warren Brown, (son of Joshua Brown,) who built a barn across the road from the house (now gone). He lived here until his death from a fall from an apple tree in about 1870. His widow and four children continued to operate the farm until 1884, when the last of the family moved. (One of J. Warren's sons was feed and grain dealer Benjamin W. Brown. He is shown as owner on the 1875 map, but had moved to Concord center by 1884--see #238 Elm Street and 178 Sudbury Road.)

The building supposedly had a few subsequent owners before being bought by farmer Alfred Curtis in about 1907. He built a new house south of this one on a knoll overlooking Bateman's Pond. When the old barn burned down early in this century, he replaced it with the present building standing to the rear of #1266.

BIBLIOGRAPHY and/or REFERENCES ☐ *see continuation sheet*

Maps and atlases: 1852, 1856, 1875, 1889, 1906.

Town directories.

Interview with owner, 2/5/91.

Keyes/Tolman, I, p. 87.

Thoreau, Henry D. Journal, 1847.

Wheeler House File.

☒ Recommended for listing in the National Register of Historic Places. *If checked, you must attach a completed National Register Criteria Statement form.*

CON. 433

Massachusetts Historical Commission  
80 Boylston Street  
Boston, Massachusetts 02116

Community      Property Address  
CONCORD      1266 Lowell Road

| Area(s) | Form No. |
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| C5      | 433      |

## National Register of Historic Places Criteria Statement Form



Recommended:

☒ Individually   ☐ District   ☐ Contributing to a Potential Historic District

Criteria:

|                          |                          |                                     |                          |
|--------------------------|--------------------------|-------------------------------------|--------------------------|
| A                        | B                        | C                                   | D                        |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |

Anne McCarthy Forbes

Statement of Significance by \_\_\_\_\_  
*The criteria that are checked in the above sections must be justified here.*

As one of the most well-preserved of the many historic farmhouses along the northern stretch of Lowell Road, and as an excellent example of a vernacular farmhouse at built at the transition from the Federal to Greek Revival periods, #1266 Lowell Road qualifies under Criterion C for the National Register.



FORM B - STRUCTURE SURVEY  
MASSACHUSETTS HISTORICAL COMMISSION  
Office of the Secretary, State House, Boston

1. Is this structure historically significant to:  
Town \_\_\_\_\_ Commonwealth \_\_\_\_\_ Nation \_\_\_\_\_

Structure has historical connection with the following themes: (See also reverse side)

- |               |                          |
|---------------|--------------------------|
| Agriculture   | Commerce/Industry        |
| Architecture  | Science/Invention        |
| Art/Sculpture | Travel/Communication     |
| Education     | Military Affairs         |
| Government    | Religion/Philosophy      |
| Literature    | Indians                  |
| Music         | Development of Town/City |

2. Town Concord  
Street 1266 Lowell Rd  
Name \_\_\_\_\_  
Original Use \_\_\_\_\_  
Present Use dwelling  
Present Owner C. Noble (kennels)  
Date 1780 Style \_\_\_\_\_  
Source of Date \_\_\_\_\_  
Architect \_\_\_\_\_

3. CONDITION: Excellent Good Fair Deteriorated Moved Altered \_\_\_\_\_

IMPORTANCE of site to area: Great Little None SITE endangered by \_\_\_\_\_

4. DESCRIPTION

FOUNDATION/BASEMENT: High Regular Low Material: cut stone

WALL COVER: Wood clapboards Brick Stone Other \_\_\_\_\_

STORIES: 1 2 / 3 4 CHIMNEYS: 1 2 3 4 Center End Cluster Elaborate Irregular

ATTACHMENTS: Wings Ell Shed Dependency 2 story ell - Simple/Complex

PORCHES: 1 2 3 4 Portico Balcony \_\_\_\_\_ Recessed \_\_\_\_\_

ROOF: Ridge Gambrel Flat Hip Mansard  
Tower Cupola Dormer windows Balustrade Grillwork \_\_\_\_\_

FACADE: Gable End: Front/Side Symmetrical/Asymmetrical Simple/Complex Ornament

Entrance: Front/Side Centered Double Features: side lights, entab + cornice

Windows: Spacing: Regular/Irregular Identical/Varied 6/6

Corners: Plain Pilasters Quoins Obscured cornerboards

OUTBUILDINGS kennels LANDSCAPING \_\_\_\_\_

5. Indicate location of structure on map below 6. Footage of structure from street 10'  
Property has \_\_\_\_\_ feet frontage on street

Recorder \_\_\_\_\_  
For \_\_\_\_\_  
Photo VI-28 68-542

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NOTE: Recorder should obtain written permission from Commission or sponsoring organization before using this form. (See Reverse Side)

Handwritten notes: H-5-A-4, may not be old?, 6-4

FOR USE WITH IMPORTANT STRUCTURES (Indicate any interior features of note)

Fireplace

Stairway

Other

GIVE A BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF HISTORIC IMPORTANCE OF SITE (Refer and elaborate on theme circled on front of form)

REFERENCE (Where was this info

BIBLIOGRAPHY



Original Owner: \_\_\_\_\_

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