

FORM B – BUILDING

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MASSACHUSETTS HISTORICAL COMMISSION
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 220 MORRISSEY BOULEVARD
 BOSTON, MASSACHUSETTS 02125

Town: Tewksbury

Place: (*neighborhood or village*)
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Address: 93 Astle Street

Historic Name: William & Bertha Clark House

Uses: Present: Single Family Residential

Original: Single Family Residential

Date of Construction: c1909

Source: Deed Research

Style/Form: No Style/Bungalow

Architect/Builder:

Exterior Material:

Foundation: Fieldstone

Wall/Trim: Vinyl Siding

Roof: Asphalt Shingle

Outbuildings/Secondary Structures:

Major Alterations (*with dates*):

Possibly part of an older house on this site built c1870.

Condition: Fair

Moved: no | X | yes | | **Date** _____

Acreage: 1.38 Acres

Setting: Set near the street in a primarily single family residential area.

Photograph



Topographic or Assessor's Map



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Date (*month / year*): March 2010

INVENTORY FORM B CONTINUATION SHEET

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Recommended for listing in the National Register of Historic Places.

If checked, you must attach a completed National Register Criteria Statement form.

Use as much space as necessary to complete the following entries, allowing text to flow onto additional continuation sheets.

ARCHITECTURAL DESCRIPTION:

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

The small house at **93 Astle Street** set very close to the road's edge. The two by two bay, one-and-a-half story house rests on a fieldstone foundation. The L-shaped building has a one-and-a-half story ell extending from the rear (north) façade. The walls of the building are clad in vinyl siding. The side gable roof is sheathed in asphalt shingles. A wrap-around porch has square posts resting on stone posts and a stone wall below. The house has been somewhat altered by 1/1 replacement windows, doors, and siding.

HISTORICAL NARRATIVE

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.

Astle Street was formerly known as the county road leading to Lowell. In 1917 the eastern end of the street was relocated and the street was widened.

A portion of the dwelling at 93 Astle Street may be part of an older house built c 1870 built on this site. This might explain the unusual form of the house. According to historic maps, Josiah E Griffin (1824-1908) owned a house on this site in 1875 and 1889. Griffin was a carpenter and pumpmaker. C1917 a map of the expansion of Astle Street indicates an outbuilding to the west of the house was the pump works, where the wooden piping was constructed.

In 1909 the house was occupied by William and Bertha Clark. According to a 1930 deed the house land on the opposite side of Astle Street were sold in 1914 by Bertha Clark to Geroge Eno. George Eno, a superintendant of a cotton mill and his wife Mary lived in the house until they sold it to Louise L'Heureux in 1930.

Subsequent owners include: Joseph & Mary Bussiere (1933-1934); Theodore & Anna LeBoeuf (1934-1937); Stewart & Elizabeth Murphy (1937-1946); Alfred L. & Catherine Larsen (1946-1995); and Clayton & Alfred W Larsen (1995).

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