

FORM B – BUILDING

Assessor's Number USGS Quad Area(s) Form Number

MASSACHUSETTS HISTORICAL COMMISSION
MASSACHUSETTS ARCHIVES BUILDING
220 MORRISSEY BOULEVARD
BOSTON, MASSACHUSETTS 02125

118-157	New Bedford South		DAR.39
---------	-------------------------	--	--------

Town: Dartmouth

Place: Padanaram

Photograph



Address: 53 School Street

Historic Name: R. Smith (1856)

Uses: Present: Single family home

Original: Same

Date of Construction: ca. 1800 (1815 in Tax Database)

Source: Historic mapping

Style/Form: Federal

Architect/Builder:

Exterior Material:

Foundation: stone

Wall/Trim: shingles

Roof: wood shingle

Outbuildings/Secondary Structures: Newer barn built with wood from former structure

Major Alterations (with dates):

2-story wing, ca. 1850; 2-story rear ell, 2008

Condition: Good

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

Acreage: 13,390 sq. ft.

Setting: Rural residential

Topographic or Assessor's Map

see continuation sheet

Recorded by: Richard M. Casella/ Wm. Coutu

Organization: Historic Documentation Co., Inc.

Date: 2008

INVENTORY FORM B CONTINUATION SHEET

[DARTMOUTH] [53 School Street]

MASSACHUSETTS HISTORICAL COMMISSION
220 MORRISSEY BOULEVARD, BOSTON, MASSACHUSETTS 02125

Area(s) Form No.

DAR.39

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

ARCHITECTURAL DESCRIPTION:

Example of half Federal, fairly common in Dartmouth. Corbelled chimney. Closed pediment with flanking pilasters around door. Splayed lintels and 12/12 windows. [Note: Preceding description transcribed from 1983 survey form]

2008 Survey Note: The 2-story wing on the left was probably added by the first half of the 19th century. A 2-story rear addition is presently being added to the house with great attention to period detail including reproduction windows and a wood roof. The main house has undergone extensive alteration to the point that is difficult to discern the original fabric and window openings. The entrance door and surround appear completely rebuilt; the lack of windows on the right side of the façade and the unusual window pattern on the façade of the wing are suspicious and suggest window openings may have been removed.

HISTORICAL INFORMATION:

1856 Map: House shown with name "R. Smith"

1871 Map: Map information inconclusive

1895 Map: House shown with name "P. Lawton"

Tax Card, 1st Entry: 11/29/1912, Antone J. Segueira, Book 383 Page 158

BIBLIOGRAPHY and/or REFERENCES

Walling, Henry F., *Map of the Town of Dartmouth, Bristol County, Mass.* 1856.

Beers, F. W., *Atlas of Bristol County, Massachusetts.* New York: F.W. Beers & Co., 1871

Walling, Henry F., *Map of Bristol County, Massachusetts.* 1895.

Town of Dartmouth, Massachusetts, Tax Assessor's Record Cards.

INVENTORY FORM B CONTINUATION SHEET

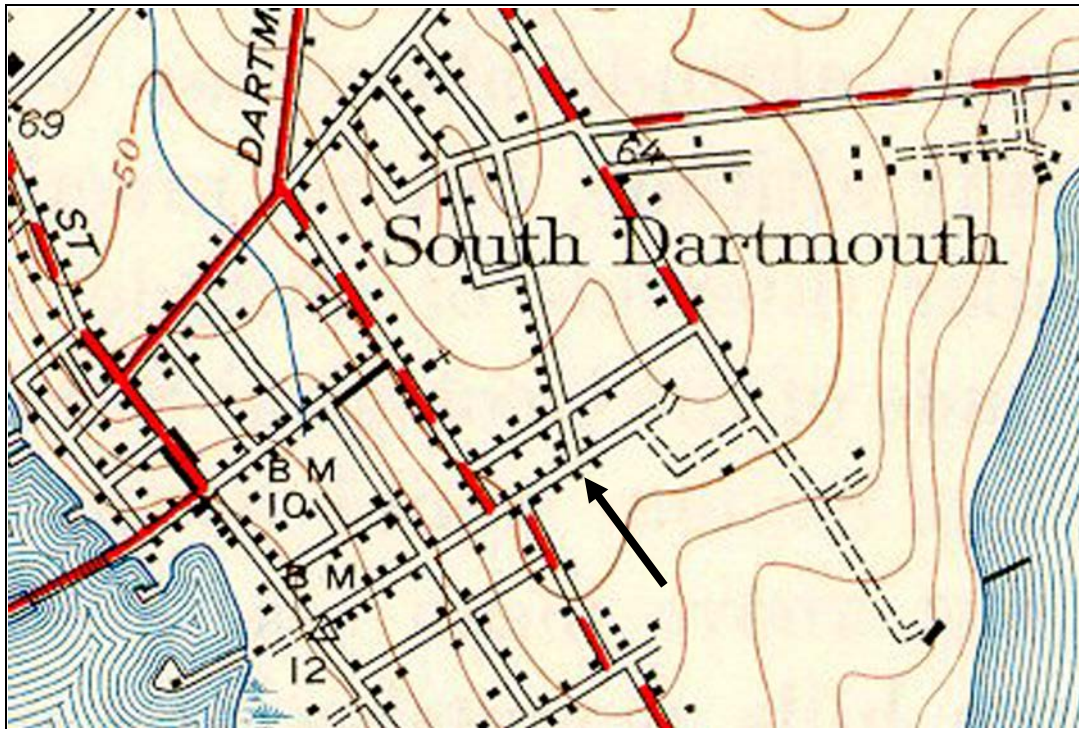
[DARTMOUTH] [53 School Street]

MASSACHUSETTS HISTORICAL COMMISSION
220 MORRISSEY BOULEVARD, BOSTON, MASSACHUSETTS 02125

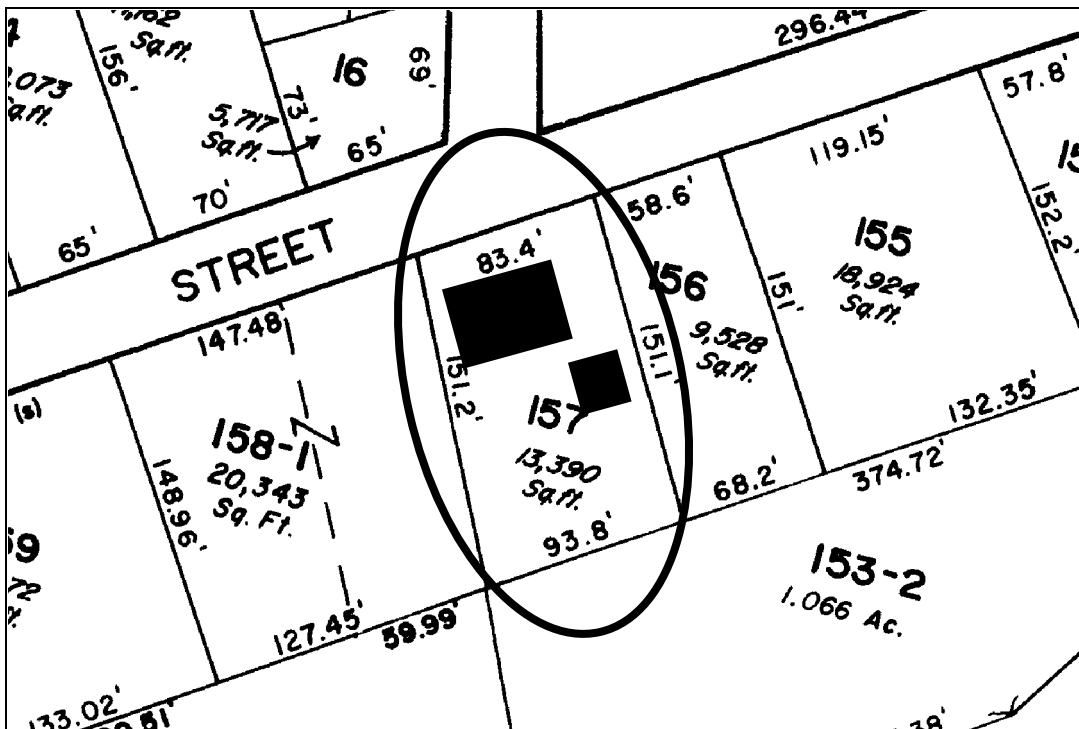
Area(s) Form No.

DAR.39

LOCATION MAPPING



USGS Topographic Map New Bedford South Quadrangle 1941, Revised 1948



Dartmouth Tax Assessors Map

INVENTORY FORM B CONTINUATION SHEET

[DARTMOUTH] [53 School Street]

MASSACHUSETTS HISTORICAL COMMISSION
220 MORRISSEY BOULEVARD, BOSTON, MASSACHUSETTS 02125

Area(s) Form No.

DAR.39

ARCHIVAL PHOTOGRAPHIC PRINT(S) ATTACHED:



No.



No.

INVENTORY FORM B CONTINUATION SHEET

[DARTMOUTH] [53 School Street]

MASSACHUSETTS HISTORICAL COMMISSION
220 MORRISSEY BOULEVARD, BOSTON, MASSACHUSETTS 02125

Area(s) Form No.

	DAR.39
--	--------

ARCHIVAL PHOTOGRAPHIC PRINT(S) ATTACHED:



No.