

Massachusetts Cultural Resource Information System

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Inventory No:	SBR.215
Historic Name:	Cunneen, Thomas House
Common Name:	Toomey, Patrick House - Columns
Address:	160 Woodland Rd
City/Town:	Southborough
Village/Neighborhood:	Cordaville
Local No:	14-16
Year Constructed:	c 1870
Architect(s):	
Architectural Style(s):	No style
Use(s):	Agricultural; Single Family Dwelling House
Significance:	Agriculture; Architecture
Area(s):	
Designation(s):	
Building Materials(s):	Roof: Asphalt Shingle Wall: Wood Clapboard; Wood Foundation: Stone, Uncut



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FORM B – BUILDING

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

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

14-16

Marlboro

215

Town SOUTHBOROUGH

Place (neighborhood or village)



Address 160 Woodland Road

Historic Name Thomas Cunneen House

Present residential

Original residential

Year of Construction ca. 1870

Map

Roof form gable roof / no style

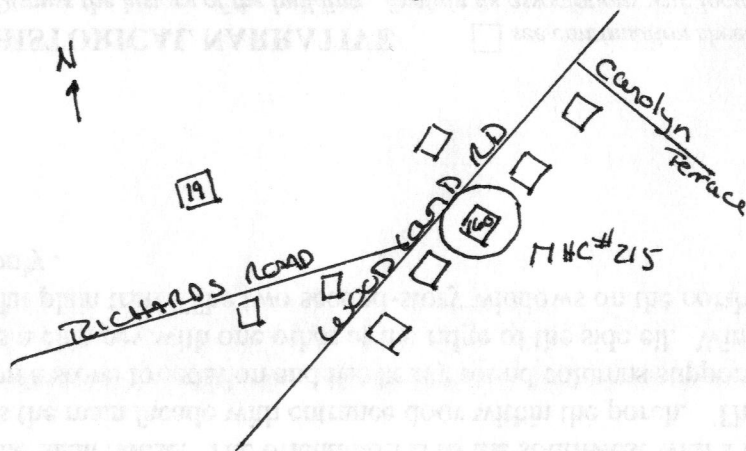
Architect/Builder unknown

Primary Material:

Foundation stone

Sketch Map

Draw a map showing the building's location in relation to the nearest cross streets and/or major natural features. Show all buildings between inventoried building and nearest intersection or natural feature. Label streets including route numbers, if any. Circle and number the inventoried building. Indicate north.



Wall/Trim wood clapboards

Roof asphalt shingles

Outbuildings/Secondary Structures small one-car garage dilapidated with lattice doors.

Major Alterations (with dates) none

Condition good

Moved ☒ no ☐ yes Date

Acreage 33,943 square feet

Setting Rural road near east end of Richards Road, house set back on large lot, among mid to late 20th c. linear residential subdivision development, wooded lot, entrance oriented to southwest - facing driveway.

Recorded by Schuler/Forbes

Organization Southborough Historical Commission

Date (month / year) 4/00

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BUILDING FORM**ARCHITECTURAL DESCRIPTION**☐ see continuation sheet*Describe architectural features. Evaluate the characteristics of this building in terms of other buildings within the community.*

Set back from the road on a large houselot that once was part of a modest farm is this small gable roof dwelling with a two-story rear ell formed by the rear raised roof, and two small one-story side ells on the northeast end of the main house. The orientation is to the southwest with a full width screened porch across the gable end, which is the main facade with entrance door within the porch. This porch, which extends across the rear ell also, rests on a stone foundation and has heavy round columns supporting the hipped roof. Centered just behind the ridge is a chimney with one other at the ridge of the side ell. Windows have six-over-six and two-over-two sash with flat plain trim. The two second-story windows on the northwest side of the house facing the road have six lights only.

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.*

Woodland Road was one of the early roads from Ashland through what became Cordaville, however it did not extend beyond Oregon Road just north of this property until 1846. It was only sparsely settled even by 1870 when this dwelling appears on the map. **Thomas Cunneen** (spelled Caneen on the 1870 map), first known owner, was appraised for \$900 worth of real estate in 1860. By 1870 he had a ten-acre farm with house, barn and three cows. By 1881 he had added a woodshed and three acres, and still was assessed for the same property in 1894. **Patrick Toomey**, farmer, who lived on the road from Fayville to Cordaville - Woodland Road - was assessed for the house, barn, wood house, and thirteen acres in 1897, thus the property changed hands between 1894 and 1897. However by 1903 only Dennis M. Toomey, a mason, was listed as living in Southborough and his residence was in Fayville. No further information about the twentieth century use is available at this time. Due to the size and inventory of this farm it is presumed that Cuneen and Toomey only farmed for their own needs and not for market products. The property was close to the Town Poor Farm and a district school in the mid 1800s.

BIBLIOGRAPHY and/or REFERENCES☐ see continuation sheet

Assessors Reports: 1870, 1881, 1894, 1897.

Atlases/Maps: 1870 (T. Caneen), 1898 (P. Toomey)

Directories: 1900, 1903.

Noble, Richard. Fences of Stone, 1990.

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



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Southborough
address 160 Woodland
"Columns"
original & present dwelling
present owner Harry Gould
to public
Style

Literature Indians Source of date
Music Other
Development of town/city Architect
Architectural reason for inventorying: Pre 1870 OR part of Area #
3. CONDITION Excellent Good Fair Deteriorated Moved Altered Added

4. DESCRIPTION

FOUNDATION/BASEMENT: High Regular Low Material Stone
WALL COVER: Wood Clapboard Brick Stone Other
ROOF: Ridge Gambrel Flat Hip Mansard
Tower Cupola Dormer windows Balustrade Grillwork
CHIMNEYS: 1 2 3 4 Center End Interior Irregular Cluster Elaborate
STORIES: 1 2 3 4 ATTACHMENTS: Wings Ell Shed
PORCHES: 1 2 3 4 PORTICO Balcony
FACADE: Gable end: Front/Side Ornament
Entrance: Side Front: Center/Side Details:
Windows: Spacing: Regular Irregular Identical Varied
Corners: Plain Pilasters Quoins Cornerboards

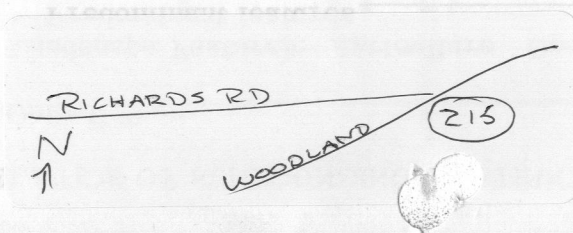
5. Indicate location of building in relation to nearest cross streets and other buildings
6. Footage of structure from street
Property has feet frontage on street

Recorder

For

Photo # 6-17 Date 1971

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RELATION OF SURROUNDING STRUCTURE

1. Outbuildings _____
2. Landscape Features: Agriculture Open Wooded Garden: Formal/Informal
Predominant features _____
Landscape architect _____
3. Neighboring Structures
Style: Colonial Federal Greek Revival Gothic Revival Italian Villa Lombard Rom.
Venetian Gothic Mansard Richardsonian Modern
Use: Residential Commercial Religious Conditions: Excellent Good Fair Deteriorated

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

DESCRIPTION

BIBLIOGRAPHY AND/OR REFERENCE

1870 Atlas - T. Caneen
1898 " Toomey

RESTRICTIONS

Original Owner: _____
Deed Information: Book Number _____ Page _____, Registry of Deeds