

Site
number:Address 7-Melcher-St. cor. 3-5 Melcher St.

New tax map(1979) U9 lot 8 size 1900 sq.ft.

Old tax map 7 lot 141 size

Owner Mark H. Wentworth Home for Chronic

Address Invalids

346 Pleasant St.

Location of legal description:

Rockingham County Registry of Deeds
Hampton Road; Exeter, New Hampshire
03833

Representation in existing surveys:

HABS NR NHL

HAER Other

Date c. 1895 Not shown in 1857 map or

Source: Estimate X Other: 1892 atlas

Historic name

Common name

Original owner

Architect/bldr.

Functional type House

Present use, if different

Moved Date

Altered Date

Effect: Focal Contributing X

non-contributing Intrusion

Photo roll 6 no. 32

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Description 3 Melcher St.

Date taken by

1. Style Early Colonial Revival No. of stories 2½ No. of bays 4x2

2. Overall plan: L-plan, long side to street

3. Foundation: Brick X Stone Poured concrete Concrete block
Artificial stone Other4. Wall structure: Wood frame X Brick Stone Other
If wood: Post and beam X Balloon frame5. Wall covering: Clapboard Wood shingle Flushboard Imitation ashlar
Brick Stone Stucco Composition board Aluminum X Vinyl
Sheet metal Asphalt shingles Other6. Roof: Gable X Hip Shed Mansard Flat Gambrel Other7. Specific features (location, no., appearance of porches, windows, doors,
chimnies, dormers, ells/wings--see also description), decorative elements:Two one-story projecting bays, each with 3 windows, on either side of
the facade, supported by brick foundation, the doors between. Doors8. Outbuildings: covered by hip-roofed porch. Small stove chimnies on ridge (2).
1-story shed on back.

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An L-shaped plan with the long side of the main block toward the street. Also, a small one story shed on the East side in the back. This 2½ story double house has projecting one story bays on either side of the four-bay facade, with ~~doors~~ between, covered by a hip-roofed porch. Above this, the two middle windows are smaller than the others. The chimneys are small and located on the ridge of the roof. Sash is 2/2 and probably original. The projecting bays also appear original, as do the single-light doors. The house is a fairly typical and well-preserved example of c. 1890-1910 architecture.

