

Massachusetts Cultural Resource Information System

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Inventory No:	CHI.3
Historic Name:	Hinckley, John House
Common Name:	
Address:	15 Arlington St
City/Town:	Chicopee
Village/Neighborhood:	Chicopee Falls
Local No:	
Year Constructed:	1891
Architect(s):	Chicopee Falls Building Co.
Architectural Style(s):	Queen Anne
Use(s):	Single Family Dwelling House
Significance:	Architecture
Area(s):	CHI.O: Washington - Arlington Streets Area CHI.R: Arlington Streetscape CHI.AE: Lincoln Grove
Designation(s):	
Building Materials(s):	Roof: Asphalt Shingle Wall: Aluminum Siding; Wood



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FORM B - BUILDING

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AREA R	FORM NO. 3
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15 ARLINGTON ST. #3
21 " " #566
29 " " #567
35 " " #568



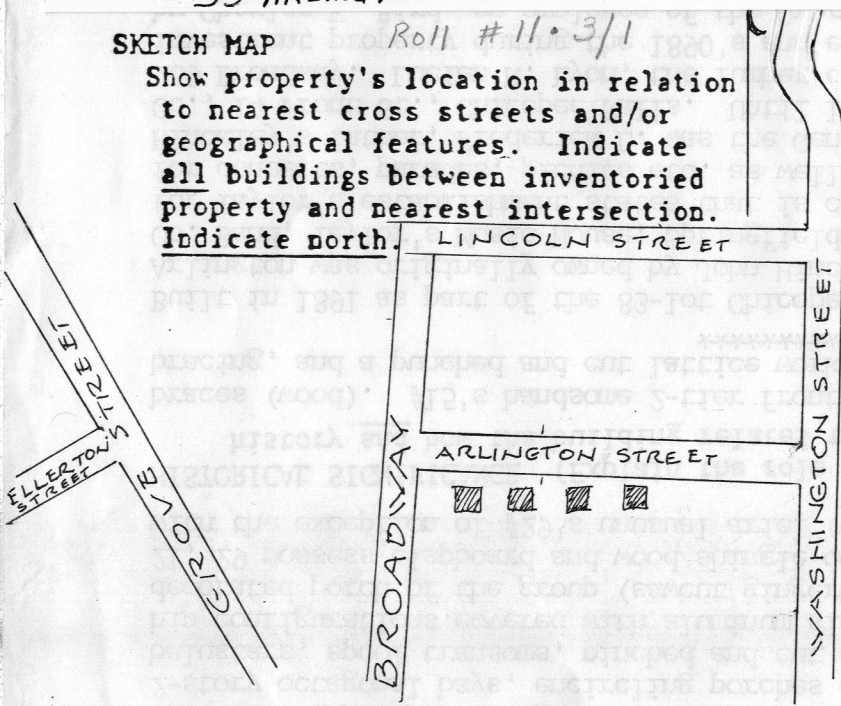
35 ARLINGTON ST

Chicopee
s 15, 21, 29, 35 Arlington Street
ic Name: Hinckley House (15) Lyons House
Bird House (25) and Martin House (35)
Present single family
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RIPTION:
1891

SKETCH MAP

Roll #11.3/1

Show property's location in relation to nearest cross streets and/or geographical features. Indicate all buildings between inventoried property and nearest intersection. Indicate north.



Source Atlases, plans, directories
Style Queen Anne
Architect Chicopee Falls Building Co.
Exterior wall fabric clapboard, wood shingle
Outbuildings
Major alterations (with dates)
Moved _____ Date _____
Approx. acreage less than one acre
Setting tree lined street of 1890's early 1900's commuter tract houses

Recorded by Edward W. Gordon
Organization Office of Community Development
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ARCHITECTURAL SIGNIFICANCE (Describe important architectural features and evaluate in terms of other buildings within the community.)

These well crafted Queen Anne houses are responsible for much of Arlington Street's late 19th c. charm. In general these houses are characterized by irregular plans, 2-story octagonal bays, encircling porches enlivened with turned posts, slatwork balusters, spool transoms, pinched and cut decoration etc. Roofs combine gable and hip configurations covered with aluminum siding, #35 retains the most elaborately decorated porch of the group (sawcut gingerbread, punched cut decoration of #15 21, 29 possess clapboard and wood shingle coverings. #21 and 29 are identical, with the exception of #29's unusual ariel (wet wall) which is supported by curved

HISTORICAL SIGNIFICANCE (Explain the role owners played in local or state history and how the building relates to the development of the community.)

braces (wood). #15's handsome 2-tier front porch exhibits turned posts, curved bracing, and a punched and cut lattice work screen at its base.

Built in 1891 as part of the 83-lot Chicopee Falls Building Co. development, #15 Arlington was originally owned by John Hinckley, an employee of the Overman Wheel Co. Band, Taylor's Music House, Springfield, MA - an early 1890's advertisement for Taylor's establishment states that it could provide "any number of musicians for concerts, parades, picnics etc. as well as "the latest and most popular music". Hinckley's father, Frederick L. was the General agent of the National Life Insurance Co., 14 Front St., Chicopee Falls. Until 1890 John lived with his father at 269 Broadway. Lucien N. Lyon, the lumber dealer and real estate agent owned #21 as an investment property during the 1890's and early 1900's. #25 was originally owned by Charles E. Bird, an employee of the Overman Wheel Co. and later commuted to work in Holyoke as a machinist. During the early 1900's Adolphus R. Martin, Chicopee Falls postmaster lived at #35.

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Rollz. 29 Arlington st