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MASSACHUSETTS HISTORICAL COMMISSION
 294 Washington Street, Boston, MA 02108

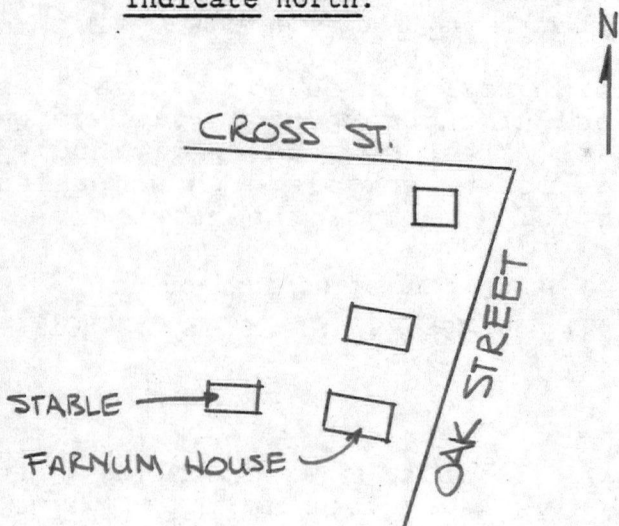
 PHOTO (3x3" or 3x5", black & white)
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Town Uxbridge
 Address 20 Oak Street
 Historic Name R. Farnum House
 Use: Original residence
 Present same
 Ownership: Private individual
 Private organization _____
 Public _____
 Original owner R. Farnum

SKETCH MAP

Draw map showing property's location in relation to nearest cross streets and other buildings or geographical features. Indicate north.



DESCRIPTION:

Date ca. 1875-1880
 Source exterior
 Style Victorian Gothic
 Architect unknown
 Exterior wall fabric clapboard
 Outbuildings stable & garage
 Major alterations (with dates) _____
none apparent
 Moved no Date N/A
 Approx. acreage .44 acres
 Setting residential area of nineteenth and twentieth century houses.

Recorded by B.R. Pfeiffer
 Organization Uxbridge Historical Commission
 Date May 1981

UTM: Quad Ux 19 282780 4661710

ARCHITECTURAL SIGNIFICANCE (describe important architectural features and evaluate in terms of other buildings within community)

The Farnum House is an excellent local example of Victorian Gothic architecture. The house is a 2½-storey structure set on a foundation of dressed granite. Having a side-hall plan, the house has an asymmetrical gabled facade (east). Principal features of the facade are double doors at the entry, a porch with Gothic decorative motifs, bargeboards and a pierced apron in the gable. Similar details exist on the house's south side which has a two-storey bay window and rear porch.

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

Significant primarily for its well-preserved design, the Farnum House has no known historical associations. The house's only known owner is R. Farnum (1898) who was nearly certainly a member of the large Farnum family which settled in Uxbridge in the early eighteenth century; however, secondary sources provide no specific information on R. Farnum.

The Farnum House possesses integrity of location, design, setting, materials, workmanship and feeling, and is significant as one of Uxbridge's most ornate and well-preserved examples of Victorian Gothic architecture.

The Farnum House meets criteria C of the NRHP.

BIBLIOGRAPHY and/or REFERENCES

Maps & Atlases: 1855, 1857, 1870, 1898

OWNER: Kanty and Mary Kroll
30 Oak St.
Uxbridge, MA 01569

United States Department of the Interior
National Park Service

National Register of Historic Places
Inventory—Nomination Form

For NPS use only
received 8/26/83
date entered

Continuation sheet

Item number

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Multiple Resource Area
Thematic Group

Name Uxbridge Multiple Resource Area
State MA

Nomination/Type of Review

Date/Signature

11. Capron, Charles, House Entered in the
National Register

for Keeper

Melrose Byers 10/7/83

Attest

12. Chapin, A., House Entered in the
National Register

for Keeper

Melrose Byers 10/7/83

Attest

13. Cook, A. E., House Entered in the
National Register

for Keeper

Melrose Byers 10/7/83

Attest

14. Central Woolen Mills
District Substantive Review

for Keeper

Paula Ann Boyd 1/20/84

Attest

15. Deane, Francis, Cottage Entered in the
National Register

for Keeper

Melrose Byers 10/7/83

Attest

16. Farnum Block Entered in the
National Register

for Keeper

Melrose Byers 10/7/83

Attest

17. Farnum, Moses, House Entered in the
National Register

for Keeper

Melrose Byers 10/7/83

Attest

18. Farnum, R., House Entered in the
National Register

for Keeper

Melrose Byers 10/7/83

Attest

19. Granite Store Entered in the
National Register

for Keeper

Melrose Byers 10/7/83

Attest

20. Hall, S. A., House Entered in the
National Register

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Melrose Byers 10/7/83

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NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES
EVALUATION/RETURN SHEET

Farnum, R., House (Uxbridge MRA)
Worcester County
MASSACHUSETTS

Working No. AUG 26 1983

Fed. Reg. Date: 2-5-85

Date Due: 9/22/83 - 10/10/83

Entered in National Register
Action: ACCEPT 10/7/83
 RETURN
 REJECT

Federal Agency: _____

- resubmission
- nomination by person or local government
- owner objection
- appeal

Substantive Review: sample request appeal NR decision

Reviewer's comments:

Recom./Criteria _____
Reviewer _____
Discipline _____
Date _____
_____ see continuation sheet

Nomination returned for: _____ technical corrections cited below
_____ substantive reasons discussed below

1. Name

2. Location

3. Classification

Category	Ownership	Status	Present Use
	Public Acquisition	Accessible	

4. Owner of Property

5. Location of Legal Description

6. Representation in Existing Surveys

Has this property been determined eligible? yes no

7. Description

Condition	Check one	Check one
<input type="checkbox"/> excellent	<input type="checkbox"/> unaltered	<input type="checkbox"/> original site
<input type="checkbox"/> good	<input type="checkbox"/> altered	<input type="checkbox"/> moved date _____
<input type="checkbox"/> fair		
<input type="checkbox"/> deteriorated		
<input type="checkbox"/> ruins		
<input type="checkbox"/> unexposed		

Describe the present and original (if known) physical appearance

- summary paragraph
- completeness
- clarity
- alterations/integrity
- dates
- boundary selection



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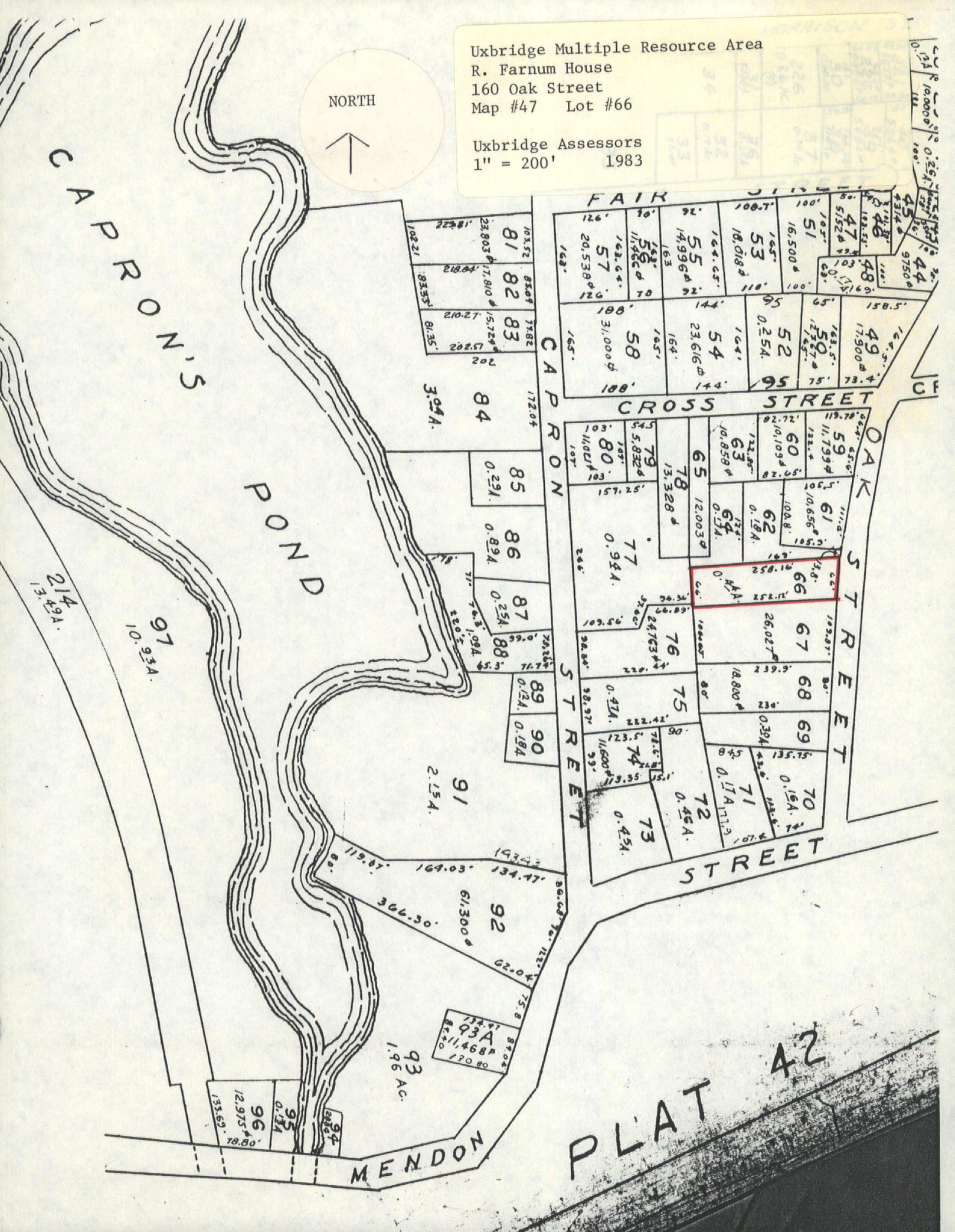
R. Farnum House

Uxbridge Multiple Resource Area

R. Farnum House
160 Oak Street
Map #47 Lot #66

Uxbridge Assessors
1" = 200' 1983

NORTH



CAPRON'S

POND

FAIR STREET

CROSS STREET

OAK STREET

STREET

STREET

MENDON

PLAT 42

44	45	46	47	48	49
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170.80

96
12,975 d
133.69

Please refer to the map in the
Multiple Property Cover Sheet
for this property

Multiple Property Cover Sheet Reference Number: 64000299