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Inventory No: GRN.21

Historic Name: Benton's Market

Common Name:

Address: 1576 Main Rd

City/Town: Granville

Village/Neighborhood: West Granville

Local No: 10
Year Constructed: 1860

Architect(s):

Architectural Style(s): No style

Use(s): General Retail Store; Post Office
Significance: Commerce; Politics Government

Area(s): GRN.B: West Granville

GRN.G: West Granville Historic District

Designation(s): Nat'l Register District (11/05/1991)

Building Materials(s): Wall: Wood; Wood Clapboard



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NATIONAL REGISTER CRITERIA STATEMENT (if applicable)

ARCHITECTURAL SIGNIFICANCE Describe important architectural features and evaluate in terms of other buildings within the community.

Benton's Market is the only non-residence in Granville in which the gambrel end is oriented toward the street. Its use and design has remained relatively unchanged since the turn of the century when a photograph of the store was taken. Its fenestration, exclusive of the leanto on the east side, is probably identical with its original plan; even original clapboarding with hand wrought rose head nails is in evidence on the west side.

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

The building is designated as a store on the map of 1855. In 1894 and 1912 it was owned by J. Welch and was listed as a store and post office. Joseph Welch owned other properties in the area (#18 and #19) and served intermittently as a Selectman from

the years 1897 -1923.

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