

Massachusetts Cultural Resource Information System

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Inventory No:	GRN.14
Historic Name:	Phelps, John House
Common Name:	Country House
Address:	1586 Main Rd
City/Town:	Granville
Village/Neighborhood:	West Granville
Local No:	
Year Constructed:	1790
Architect(s):	
Architectural Style(s):	Federal
Use(s):	Single Family Dwelling House
Significance:	Architecture
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: Brick; Wood; Metal, Undetermined



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FORM NO.

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Granville

1586
Main Road

Name John Phelps House

"The Country House"

Present Residence

Original Residence

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Date 1790

Source Assessor's Records

Style Federal

Architect Unknown

Exterior Wall Fabric Brick

Outbuildings Barn/Garage

Major Alterations (with dates) Addition

of pediment to door, c. 1965

Condition Excellent

Moved _____ Date _____

Acreage 3.0 acres

Setting Village

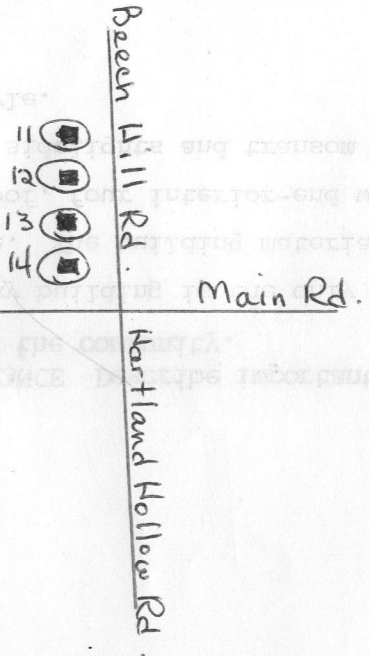
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Organization Granville Historical Commission

Date Aug 1987

Sketch Map: Draw map showing property's location in relation to nearest cross streets and/or geographical features. Indicate all buildings between inventoried property and nearest intersection(s). Indicate north

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USGS QUADRANGLE West Granville

SCALE 1:25,000

NATIONAL REGISTER CRITERIA STATEMENT (if applicable)

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

This 2-story, 5-bay building is the only brick structure of the period found in Granville. The building material, simplicity of the symmetrical facade, low hip-roof, four interior end wall chimneys and recessed door surrounded by 3/4 sidelights and transom make this an excellent example of the Federal style.

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

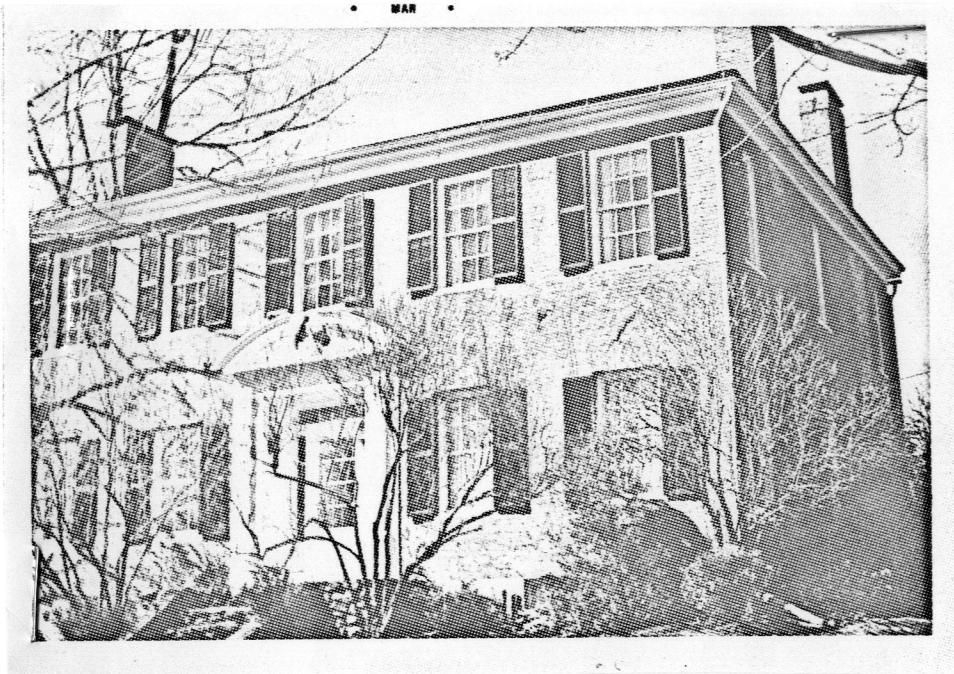
This house was built in 1790 by John Phelps, a lawyer who served the town in many capacities from the late 1790's until his death in 1831. He was elected Town Clerk in 1797, Selectman from 1802 - 1806 and was appointed as Sheriff of Hampden County in 1813, a post he held until his death in 1831.

James Goodwin owned the property in 1855. His widow Elizabeth S. Goodwin sold the property to William E. Barnes in 1888. In 1912, the property was sold to Harriet C. Law.

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